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## SCHARANSKY'S BIRTHDAY OBSERVED

**Members of the Montreal Group of 35 Women's Campaign for Soviet Jewry recently marked the 33rd birthday of Prisoner of Zion Anatoly Scharansky. In 1978, he was sentenced to 13 years imprisonment for trying to emigrate to Israel.**

## *Greystone club to close*

**MONTREAL —**

**The Greystone Curling Club, the only Jewish curling club in Montreal and probably the only Jewish club in Canada with its own premises, is closing permanently April 30 because of a lack of active members. [The Beaver Curling Club in Toronto and the Maple Leaf Curling Club in Winnipeg, both Jewish clubs, sold their buildings a number of years ago].**

**The Greystone club, founded in 1957, has 234 paying members and finances are not the problem. However, only about 60 members are actually curling now, said veteran club executive Hy Block.**

**The situation has been deteriorating for the past five years, Block said. Membership is getting older and many are not able to play any more or spend most of the winter in Florida.**

**The club's building on Pare St. has already been sold. Club president is Dave Rubin.**

# Election of Bronfman opens a new WJC era

By WOLF S. MATSDORF

**JERUSALEM —**

Edgar Bronfman, of New York, unanimously elected president of the World Jewish Congress, pledged to "limit confusion in Jewish organizational life" in an address to 500 delegates from 60 countries at the recent seventh WJC plenary assembly here.

Bronfman had been serving as acting president of WJC, taking over from Philip Klutznick when Klutznick took leave of absence to join Jimmy Carter's cabinet as secretary of commerce.

"Israel has entered its mid-life crisis at the tender age of 33," said Bronfman, citing inflation, emigration, ethnic conflict and "too much politics with too few leaders."

"I am ready to serve my people," Bronfman continued, "and signal the generational change in the World Jewish Congress with modern management and a new focus on Jewish organizational affairs. With new, frank constructive dialogue between the Diaspora and Israel, we will help Jews the world over rediscover their identity."

**The Canadian delegation, which included Alan Rose, Barbara Stern, Morty Cohen, Irwin Cotler, Rabbi Gunther Plaut, Sol Kanee, David Satok, Neri Bloomfield, Leon Kronitz, Wendy Litwack, Yehuda Elberg and Rabbi Michael Stroh, praised the election result and a spokesman said of Bronfman: "Edgar is a symbol of a new generation taking over with judgment, businesslike attitude and the courage in decision-making that will attract young people not yet involved." Kanee was elected chairman of the WJC North American branch, the position held previously by Bronfman.**

But rather than "waiting abroad for Israel to become a paradise on earth, Israeli President Yitzhak Navon urged the "conditional immigrant" representatives of world Jewry to "come to Israel to improve her." He also called on Diaspora Jews, through the WJC, to "establish a dialogue with Islam, as already exists with Christianity."

Following an opening concert of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Zubin Mehta, former U.S. Senator Jacob Javits warned the delegates against "efforts of principal European countries against the Camp David process. Their efforts," he said, "would make Israel's security heavily dependent on guarantees from other countries and accept the ultimate establishment of a Palestinian state on Israel's border."

Edgar Bronfman

Javits called on the new Reagan administration to "resist the blandishments of Western Europe and remain dedicated to the spirit of the Camp David Accords."

The WJC, an umbrella organization of all world Jewish groups, founded in 1936 to combat Hitler and anti-semitism, will examine a World Zionist Organization information department proposal to co-ordinate world Jewish reaction to anti-Zionist campaigns and anti-semitism. Canadian Jewish Congress is a member organization of WJC.

Delegates heard reports by leaders of major Jewish communities in the United States, Argentina, France, Brazil, Switzerland, South Africa, Belgium and India as to the incidence of anti-semitism in their respective countries. Eli Eyal, chairman of WZOs information department said: "We have suggested an information centre be formed to develp quick, meaningful responses to anti-Zionism. We intend neither to replace the efforts of other Jewish organization nor to quash independent action."

**The plenary listened to separate speeches from Israeli foreign minister Yitzhak Shamir and Labor Party leader Shimon Peres, reiterating the national consensus on five major issues; that Jerusalem should remain a united capital; that there be no negotiations with the Palestine Liberation Organization; that, for security reasons, there should be no return to pre-1967 borders; that Israel seeks a cpmprehensive Mideast peace; and that there should be no Palestinian state established on the West Bank.**

In addition, Shamir denounced proposed arms sales by West Germany to Saudi Arabia and urged a continuation of Israel-Diaspora dialogue.

Several workshops, ranging in theme from Jewish life in socialist societies to relations with Christian churches and Islam, were conducted during the conference.

Addressing the **shift toward the Arab world in the foreign policy of Western nations, Cotler, national president of Canadian Jewish Congress, stressed the need** for new initiatives.

"The ongoing **delegitimization of Israel makes the Arab-Israeli conflict an international dispute not amenable** to resolution by conventional means," Cotler said. **"Israel,** in the Middle East, **needs to explore peace possibilities** with her Arab neighbors by exploring who is at the core of the Arab states' unwillingness to accept the legitimacy of a Jewish state. Perhaps it is possible to reverse the Arab conception of Israel as an alien Mideast implant and replace it with the concept that Israel is an indigenous part of the Mideast with a peoplehood no less indivisible than their own."

Rabbi Plaut, immediate past president of CJC and a columnist for The Canadian Jewish News, spoke of the interrelation between Jews and Christians in fighting anti-semitism. Said Plaut:

"Anti-semitism, like anti-Zionsim in the Gentile world, is a condition and disease affecting every Jew inside Israel and elsewhere. Though retreating Christianity leaves this heritage behind, inaction towards rising anti-semitism will undermine church credibility and possibly destroy Christianity, while certainly endangering Jews. For better or worse, the Christian church must understand that, in the fight, they are with us for their own sake and ours."

Program in effect since 1967

# *U.S. ending aid to yeshivas*

By WOLF BLITZER

**WASHINGTON —**

**The U.S. government's Agency for International Development (AID) has moved deliberately to phase out financial assistance to almost all of the small religious schools and institutions in Israel which had once been among the largest recipients.**

Since 1967, some 30 Orthodox institutions in Israel, including some thinly-disguised yeshivot affiliated with the National Religious Party as well as with the extremely religious Agudat Yisrael Party, had received nearly $30 million in outright financial grants from AID.

The assistance was part of the $60.5 million in total U.S. grants to 37 schools and hospitals in Israel allocated since 1967 under Section 214 of the Foreign Aid Bill.

Half of that total sum — $30.275 million — went to three respected and well-known institutions in Israel: the Feinberg Graduate School of the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot ($16.2 million); the Hadassah Medical Centre in Jerusalem ($11.15 million); and the Orthodox Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem ($2.925 million).

But much of the remaining allocations went to tiny religious schools, largely as a result of strong pressure on AID from a handful of influential U.S. congressmen and senators.

During interviews in recent weeks, U.S. and Israeli officials, members of Congress and their staff assistants, political activists in the U.S. Jewish community and Washington representatives of the various Israeli institutions explained how these Orthodox schools had managed to receive such extensive U.S. governmental assistance over the years.

Following the allegations of financial irregularity against Israel Minister of Religious Affairs Aharon Abu-Hatzeira and several religious institutions in Israel, the U.S. government's assistance to the Israeli schools and hospitals, especially the relatively heavy emphasis on the Orthodox schools, has come under increasing scrutiny from AID and other investigative branches of the U.S. government, such as the Office of Management and Budget.

But the phasing out of the religious schools began even before the Abu-Hatzeira scandal.

Some sources suggested that the funds to the larger Israeli institutions, and, perhaps, even the entire program around the world may be endangered because of the earlier emphasis on the Orthodox establishment in Israel.

**One U.S. congressman, who, like almost everyone else interviewed in connection with this little-known foreign aid program, asked not to be identified, noted bitterly that the U.S. government is prohibited under law from providing federal funding to parochial schools in the U.S. "Yet we've been doing just that in Israel," he said.**

The schools and hospitals program was started in 1959. Since then, the U.S. has distributed nearly $400 million to various institutions around the world. The American University in Beirut has been

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# "Celebration 33"— biggest party ever

**MONTREAL —**

Israel's 33rd anniversary will be celebrated in the major cities in Canada, May 11, with simultaneous world premieres of the motion picture "The Chosen," based on Chaim Potok's best-selling novel.

"Celebration 33," billed as "the biggest theatre party ever," will also take place at the same time throughout the United States and in 20 other countries, including Britain, France, South Africa and Australia. A total of 500,000 people worldwide are expected to contribute $100 each to see the film in some 1,000 theatres.

The projected $50 million raised from ticket sales will aid educational institutions in Israel.

**In Canada, The Chosen will be shown in theatres in Vancouver, Winnipeg, Toronto and Montreal and seen by an**

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# *Diplomat to be honored*

**MONTREAL —**

A gala dinner in tribute to Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who saved thousands of Hungarian Jews during World War II and is believed by some to be alive in a Soviet prison, will be held Feb. 7 at the Ritz Carlton Hotel.

The $100-a-plate affair has been organized by the Raoul Wallenberg Medical Centre Committee, chaired by George Hegedus of Montreal and Tibor Waldman of New York. Dr. Vojtech Arje of Montreal is director of this international project to sponsor a medical centre in Ma'alot, Israel in honor of the memory of Wallenberg.

**The guest speakers will be Per Anger, retired Swedish ambassador to Canada and a former colleague of Wallenberg's in Budapest, and Irwin Cotler, president of Canadian Jewish Congress and an internationally known human rights advocate.**

Israeli Ambassador Yeshayahu Anug and Norwegian Ambassador Peter Graver are also expected to attend.

As well, members of the international committee from Vienna, London, Washington, Hillsborough, Calif., Toronto and Ottawa will be present. Several prominent Canadian rabbis and Christian clergymen will attend.

**The Montreal committee, chaired by Dr. George Daniel, covers wide representation of the Jewish community including AJCS, Canadian Jewish Congress, Israel Bonds, Jewish National Fund, Hadassah-WIZO and other organizations.**

# New setup is organized to combat cult activities

By BEN GALLOB

**NEW YORK (JTA) —**

The Task Force on Missionary Activity of the New York Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC), formed to combat efforts of cults in the New York area to recruit Jewish youth as members, has developed into an international resource, according to Laurence Tisch, CJRC president, and Dr. Seymour Lachman, Task Force chairperson.

The two JCRC officials said Task Force acrivities were being headed by the Task Force's full-time co-ordinator, Dr. Martin Dann, a former American history professor with a record of "broad and diversified experience in youth and communal work." Dann is co-ordinating the anti-missionary activities of the more than 40 participating JCRC agencies and "developing with them programs of benefit to all members of our community," they said.

Malcolm Hoenlein, JCRC executive director, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that as the work of the Task Force became known, requests for information began coming in not only from the metropolitan area and New York state, but also from around the country and from abroad, "indicating the dire need for such services."

**He reported that "an informal network has been established," which includes JCRCs and similar agencies in Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Miami, Chicago, Detroit, San Francisco, Miami, Montreal and Toronto. He said the Los Angeles Federation-Council had named Jan Kuris as a full-time co-ordinator of the Task Force on Missionary Activity of the Federation's Community Relations Committee.**

Lachman also reported task force development of seminars and workshops for professionals in anti-cult work; contribution and expansion of a speakers bureau through the Jewish Board of Family and Children's Service (JBFCS), and implementing a special 24-hour hotline for Jews needing advice and other help.

**He said the Task Force also was "launching a public education campaign, including preparation of new materials to counteract missionary and cult propaganda." He said that under Task Force auspices, experts in many fields "are joining together in a concerted effort to combat the critical problems" and that volunteers were sought "to help us make this program as creative and effective as possible."**

Lachman said a special grant from the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies had made it possible for the Task Force "to initiate the full-scale effort" needed to combat "the scores" of missionary and cult groups "preying" on the metropolitan area Jewish community. He said the Task Force would seek to "maximize existing programs and assist member organizations in undertaking new vitally needed projects" to combat cult efforts.

Lachman said that Jewish book stores, schools and synagogues throughout metropolitan New York had been alerted to a wide range of literature, calendars, records and cassettes which bear "deceptive" Hebrew names, Jewish symbols and content, but which are produced by Christain missionary groups. He said the Task Force had been told that such items have appeared in stores specializing in Jewish items, organizational gift shops and at Jewish-sponsored fairs around the United States.

He urged Jewish agencies to publicize such materials, in addition to bringing them to the attention of rabbis, educators and neighborhood merchants. He cited records and cassettes by "The Liberated Wailing Wall," "Jerusalem Players," "Star of David Singers," "The Israelites," "Israel's Hope," "The House of David," and "Shalom Singers."

Lachman also cited organizations he said were not easily recognizable as Christian missionary groups, listing Beth Star Shalom, also known as American Board of Missions to the Jews; Hebrew Witness, Inc.; V'kol Shofar; Peace for Israel; Shalom Centre; Jewish Voice Broadcast; Beit Yehoshuah; North American Jewish Ministries; Friends of Israel; the Tel Aviv Quartet; and Judaism in Service to the World, and the Jewish Friendship League, the latter two being front organizations for the Unification Church, according to Lachman.

Hoenlein said that while "hard statistics" were hard to get, the JCRC was certain that "a disproportionate number of Jews were involved in the growing number of cult and missionary groups" in the New York metropolitan area "and that the number was significant."

He added that, since the initial studies of the problem were made, "we have identified more than 100 groups in the metropolitan area alone whose primary, or exclusive, purpose is proselytization in the Jewish community," operating in every part of the metropolitan area.

# Scandal surrounding cabinet minister could be major Israeli election issue

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Menachem Begin's next six months in office may be soured by a scandal that threatens to cast further aspersions on his tottering government.

The Prime Minister, beset by mounting economic problems and ministerial defections, now must deal with a burgeoning scandal which already affects one cabinet member and could well touch another.

Damaging revelations in the months ahead, observers feel, could well doom Begin's hopes of being re-elected. Elections are tentatively called for July 7.

Aharon Abu-Hatzeira, the minister of religous affairs, is at the centre of the scandal, which began to unravel in 1980. As a by-product of it, Israel's chief of police was fired and his superior, Interior Minister Yosef Burg, is now under something of a cloud.

Both Abu-Hatzeira and Burg are representatives of the National Religious Party, which has been part of every coalition government since 1949.

**A native of Morocco, Abu-Hatzeira is accused of accepting $15,000 worth of bribes in 1979 in return for funneling public funds to Jewish religious institutions.**

[Uzi Keren photo]

Aaron Abu-Hatzeira

**Early this month, the Knesset stripped him of parliamentary immunity, exposing him to trial.**

He is the first minister in Israeli history to face a criminal charge. But he is not the only minister whose record is less than palatable. In 1977, when Yitzhak Rabin was Prime Minister, Avraham Ofer, the housing minister, committed suicide over an alleged scandal. Ofer's act of desperation was another nail in the coffin of the Labor government, which went down to defeat in that year's election.

Abu-Hatzeira says the charges against him are a "political libel," and he claims that he is the victim of a racist campaign by the Ashkenazi establishment. This allegation has been repeated by prominent Israelis of Sephardic origin.

**Exacerbating the tension is the startling disclosure by the ex-police chief, Herzl Shafir, a former army general, that Yosef Burg ordered him to delay a probe until after this summer's election.**

Shafir, who was dismissed summarily on the first day of the new year, says Burg told him to hold off a police investigation into allegations that the interior ministry had illegally transferred funds to religous institutions.

Burg, who has denied Shafir's accusation, says he is being blackmailed by Shafir. Burg fired Shafir when the latter admitted that a police spokesman had leaked false information to the press in the Abu-Hatzeira affair.

**According to Burg, Shafir was guilty of other misdeeds: He refused to accept civilian control; he was not sensitive to democratic sensibilities and civil rights; he had a shaky relationship with his fellow officers at police headquarters.**

Although Burg persuaded Begin and the rest of the cabinet that Shafir had no business being head of the police, his own reputation is somewhat clouded by the whole controversy.

If Shafir is able to prove that Burg delayed a legitimate investigation into interior ministry alleged irregularities, the latter's career may well be dashed. In Israel, Burg is known as an extremely canny, astute politician for whom no task is impossible. In a sense, he is Israel's grand old man of politics.

In the next few months, Israelis will probably be treated to mudslinging of the worst kind, as charges and countercharges arising out of the Abu-Hatzeira and Shafir affairs reverberate across the land.

The election campaign promised to be rough. It will be rougher if Abu-Hatzeira is found guilty and Burg is implicated for participating in a coverup.

# *Egyptians renege*

**JERUSALEM (JCNS) —**

**The reversal of an earlier invitation to Israeli publishers to participate in the World Book Fair scheduled to open at the end of the month in Cairo, her shaken Israeli officials. There was no immediate explanation for the sudden reversal which the Israel embassy in Cairo is seeking to have overturned.**

**Officials here expressed surprise and "considerable displeasure" at the ban. More definitive government comment or action was withheld until the Egyptian attitude is clarified.**

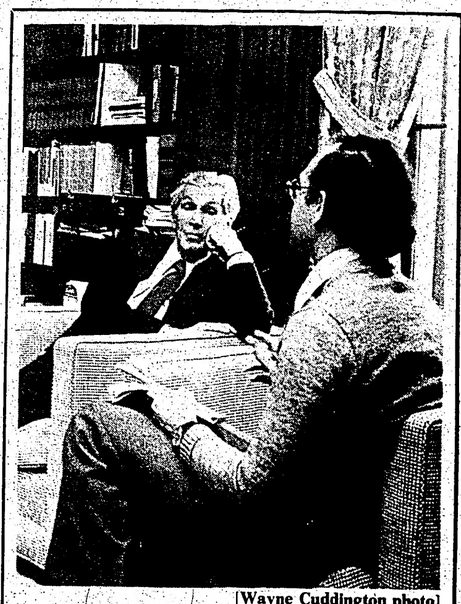
**A 44-member delegation of the Israel Book and Printing Centre was to have attended, with Israel planning to exhibit several hundred titles in Arabic, Hebrew and English.**

# Theatre awards

Vivienne Muhling's production, "Indigo," won a Dora Mavor Moore Award last week as Toronto's outstanding cabaret/revue production of the past year. Salome Bey, star of the show, won an award as outstanding revue or musical performer.

Muhling writes the "Leisure Pleasures" column in The CJN's arts page.

Another winner was "I'm Getting My Act Together and Taking It on the Road," in the category of outstanding production of a musical. Beryl Fox was the producer.



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## *LASKIN ERA*

**In a CJN exclusive, reporter Sheldon Kirshner interviews Chief Justice Bora Laskin [left]. See story on page 5.**

# World News

# Holocaust presents dilemma, critics say studies off-track

By RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

A few weeks ago I wrote about the controversy that has broken out in the United States about a proper memorial for the Six Million. But that was only the tip of the iceberg. The real debate goes much deeper and it touches us in Canada as it does Jews everywhere.

It all begins with a little book first published in 1956 in Yiddish, "Un di Velt Hot Geshvign" and then translated into French as "La Nuit" two years later. The author, an unknown concentration camp survivor named Elie Wiesel, was unable to find an American publisher. Not until 1960 did a minor publishing house bring out the slender little volume, this time entitled "Night." It happened just 20 years ago!

Rabbi Gunther Plaut

Since that time the name Wiesel has become a household word: Holocaust is a term recognized by everyone — used and often abused to describe all kinds of catastrophes; next summer there will be a worldwide gathering of Holocaust survivors; a large number of university study courses are being offered in cities across this continent; Jewish elementary and high schools treat the Holocaust as a regular subject; and radio, television and film have created a mass audience.

From a story of which no one wanted to hear a mere two decades ago to mass exposure is a near miraculous step — yet there are more and more voices that express doubts about the whole development. According to some of them, Holocaust studies, observances and productions have gone off the track, have become commercialized and worse, have provided the Jewish community with an opportunity to face merely the past but not the present.

Amongst those who wonder about it all is first and foremost Elie Wiesel himself. He has this to say about his own lecturing on the subject of the Holocaust: "In the beginning nobody did it, so I had to speak. Now everybody does, so I don't want to speak."

His critique of the television production "Holocaust" is well known. He found it to be a cheap distortion of a bitter reality. "I myself was always afraid of desacrilizing the Holocaust," he says.

He is scandalized by the procedures engaged in by well-meaning school teachers who think they can convey the meaning of the Holocaust to children by locking them in small rooms in order to simulate gas chambers. One teacher, when asked about such methods, said: If NBC could do it, if they could create fake gas chambers for their audience, why can't they do it for children?

Nonetheless, Wiesel has doubts about going too far in his criticism. He wants the Holocaust to be remembered, though in a certain way. Other critics are more vocal, chief amongst them Rabbi Arnold Jacob Wolf, for many years Hillel director at Yale. He believes that the Holocaust has become an organizing myth of the Jewish community.

Leonard Fein, editor of Moment Magazine, finds pervasive Holocaust studies to enforce an old and not so dormant sentiment, namely, that underneath their nice exterior all Gentiles are potentially anti-semites. The Holocaust emphasis, he warns, undermines our commitment to intergroup relations and to building a healthy society in which all elements take part.

**Perhaps the most articulate critic of all is Jacob Neusner, professor of religious studies at Brown University. He says that Holocaust and Redemption [the creation of Israel] constitute the central myth by which American Jews seek to make sense of themselves and to decide what to do with that part of themselves which is set aside for being Jewish. "Why," he says, "do they draw upon experiences they have not had and do not wish to have for their symbols and their myths, for their rites and their deeds? The turning of the murder of European Jewry into a permanent symbol of what it means to be a Jew presents altogether too simple and too repulsive an account of reality."**

On the other side of the debate are men like Rabbi Irving Greenberg, the founder of Zachor, the Holocaust Resource Centre. He admits that critics point to a potential and in some cases to real evils in the uses of the Holocaust. "But their criticism," he says, "is frequently merely clever debate and this is not a topic for being clever about."

According to Greenberg, the critics underestimate the lessons of the Holocaust and its importance to Jews and Gentiles. When Jews give to Israel they are offering unconsciously a profound response to the Holocaust. It is no substitute for Judaism but it remains an expression of authentic feeling.

The fact is that the Holocaust presents all of us with a dilemma. Our children must be told and told effectively about it, yet they must not be scarred emotionally. It is fact and it is history and it won't go away if we ignore it. Says Greenberg: "If a child is not otherwise emotionally disturbed he will manage to absorb what he can handle and still remain psychologically intact."

**But in one respect the critics are right: Holocaust remembrance must not drive us into a corner where we consider the rest of the world as evil and potentially murderous. We can live only in mutual dependence with others. And further, while without survival we are nothing, survival is not an end in itself. It is the foundation for being Jewish in the best sense. Holocaust studies must evoke in us a sense not only of what once was, but above all what we ourselves want to be.**

# *Philip Klutznick plans to relax, advises Jews to let young take over*

WASHINGTON [JTA] — Secretary of Commerce Philip Klutznick, after administering for almost 14 months one of the federal government's most diversified and complex departments, went home last week to Chicago and said he will never take a job again.

Now past 73, the oldest member of President Carter's cabinet, Klutznick left Washington when his friend, the President, departed on Inauguration Day, Jan. 20, to "spend a little time doing nothing" and later to do "some writing."

"When the boss leaves, I leave," he said in an interview prior to his departure from Washington. "I am going home — which I never really left. I'll take a few months thinking about my future. No one has offered me the responsibility of heading a major company and I wouldn't accept if anyone had. Not at 73 and one-half.

"Perhaps I'll go into competition with you fellows and write. I'll try an original idea. After being president (of a junior Jewish club in Kansas City) and chairman of a board or both since I was 14 years old, I'd like to spend a little time doing nothing. I won't take a job — voluntary or involuntary. I want to spend time with my grandchildren and do what I want to do for the first time in my life."

Actually, Klutznick will do something immediate. He will teach for "a couple of weeks" at the Wayne Morse Institute of Law and Politics at the University of Oregon in Eugene, but he has not made other commitments besides some speeches.

Before he was sworn in as secretary of commerce Dec. 19, 1979, he took a leave of absence as president of the World Jewish Congress.

**Discussing Jewish matters, Klutznick said "it is lacking in objectivity to think things are the same as 30 years ago. The position of our people has deteriorated in recent years due in the main to changes in forces internationally. One can say he won't exchange Jewish blood for oil but the fact is the oil-producing countries are powerful. I regret Israel is not one of them.**

"There's been a complete shift in economic influence and at least in their perception in poitical influence in the world. It's not as deep as some think but you cannot cure it by strong words. This has influence on minorities wherever they may be. We've blinded ourselves in a way and we have some catching up to do."

In discussing the rise of religious feeling here and abroad among Christians, Moslems and Jews, Klutznick said "we ought to worry less about anti-semitism and more in what we — as a community — are doing. Getting frightened by anti-semitism is going to happen from time to time but we must consider what our own community is doing. Is Israel as forthcoming as it should be? Is our Jewish community living in the 1980s rather than in the 1960s? Some leaders ought to retire and let younger people take over. They might have better ideas.

Philip Klutznick

"We've got a big job ahead of us. We are facing a crisis of greatest proportions because we haven't caught up with it."

Among Klutznick's responsibilities was enforcement of the U.S. laws against the Arab League's boycott of American businesses that trade with Israel. Under his aegis, U.S. activity against American firms that held the boycott increased. "It's an operating department," he said. "Nobody is complaining except those who are charged."

A department official later told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that in the year ended Sept. 30 (more than nine of the 12 months under Klutznick), the department handled 33 enforcement cases and 12 resulted in fines and compliance actions while 21 companies received warning letters.

In 76 cases, activity ended after no violations were established and about 126 warning letters were issued for late reporting on possible violations. In the last quarter of the year, under Klutznick, seven enforcement actions were taken.

Coincidentally, Klutznick is being succeeded as secretary by the son of an old friend in Omaha. Malcolm Baldridge, his successor, is the son of Malcolm Baldridge Sr., who is now 93. The elder Baldridge was Klutznick's congressman and maintained his law office three floors above Klutznick's in an Omaha building.

Asked to state his proudest accomplishment as secretary, Klutznick replied with characteristic wit — "I'm still here." Told that his was a good response, he shot back — "it's a Washington answer."

After that he spoke proudly of the "somewhat unique" relationship between business, labor and government during his time as secretary. "I hope it carries on," he said. He and Labor Secretary Ray Marshall "behaved like twins" and "most business groups with whom we had to work in delicate situations were completely supportive, as indeed were labor groups."

# Rabbi says 1,084 Jews made aliya from Romania

NEW YORK [JTA] — During 1980, 1,084 Romanian Jews went on aliya to Israel and presently there are 509 Jews in Romania who are waiting to receive exit visas to Israel, Romania's Chief Rabbi, Moses Rosen, disclosed here recently.

Addressing a press conference at the Joint Distribution Committee's headquarters, Rosen said that an exit visa's application takes between four to eight months until it is approved, which is "a short period" in terms of Communist countries' bureaucratic procedures. Rosen added that any Romanian Jew who desires to go on aliya is free to do so without fear of harassment or the threat of being fired once the intention to emigrate is declared.

Rosen, who was in New York to discuss the JDC's 1981 aid for Romania, described the 35,000-member Romanian Jewish community as a minority that enjoys full religious, cultural and social freedom. "We are free to state our love for Jerusalem and proclaim that we are part of the Jewish people," Rosen said.

He added, however, "at the same time we are devoted citizens of Romania" and "we have to be loyal to the government." He said that "a climate of confidence" exists between the Jews of Romania and the government.

In reply to a question citing recent reports of an anti-semitic article in one of Romania's newspapers, Rosen confirmed that last Sept. 5 an anti-semitic article was published in the Bucharest weekly, "Septemena" (The Week), by an unidentified author. Rosen said that anti-semitic articles have been rare in the Romanian press in the last 30 years and that the article in September was an "exception."

Noting that the article did not mention the word Jew, Rosen said that he protested the anti-semitic content of the article in public statements and in private meetings with high officials. A letter of protest to Septemena, which he wrote, was not published, Rosen said, but on Oct. 24 the editor of the newspaper published an article denouncing anti-semitism in sharpest terms.

**Turning to the issue of Jewish life in Romania, Rosen warned that Romanian Jewry is facing "a leadership crisis." He said the Jewish community is in great need of spiritual and religious leaders such as rabbis, ritual slaughterers and teachers. He said the major challenge and task of Romanian Jewry is to preserve its Jewishness.**

Noting that half of the members of the Jewish population in Romania are over 65, Rosen, who is also president of the Federation of Jewish Communities in Romania, described his community as "an elderly Jewish community but not a dying one." He said the community has difficulty finding young students who are available to join training for Jewish leadership and spiritual positions.

According to Rosen, there are presently 61 functioning synagogues out of 120 synagogues in the country, and 24 Talmud Torah schools. "We do everything we can to maintain Judaism," Rosen declared, stressing that "there is a danger" to the continuation of Judaism in Romania.

# Israeli expresses optimism in Reagan

NEW YORK (JTA) — Harry Hurwitz, Israel's minister of information in Washington, has voiced Israel's optimism and confidence in the Reagan administration.

Speaking at the mid-winter conference of Bnai Zion at the America-Israel Friendship House here, Hurwitz said that President Ronald Reagan's statement during the election campaign and since his election, particularly his belief that Israel's West Bank settlements are legal, gives Israel "much confidence." He said Reagan's "rejection of a PLO state are encouraging."

Hurwitz also had praise for the Carter administration. "Israel will be forever grateful to President Carter" for the "success of the Camp David accords," he said.

## Praise for Carter

Later during the one-day conference, Rabbi I. Usher Kirshblum, spiritual leader of the Jewish Centre of Kew Gardens-Hills in Queens and chairman of the conference, declared that the Begin government "has served the Israeli nation well through the peace accords."

He said it also "rightfully declared the legal status of Jerusalem" despite the nations which moved their embassies out of the city "under duress of the Arab lands blackmail" that they would cut off oil "if they remained in Jerusalem."

# *Court considers government's attempt to seize Arab-owned electric company*

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

It's the Jerusalem District Company versus the State of Israel.

The legal battle shaping up between the protagonists is bound to remain the focus of a major controversy in 1981.

At issue here is an important political question, though only the Arabs openly admit that such is the case. In private, most Israelis concede the point.

**On Jan. 1, the Supreme Court of Israel issued an interim injunction preventing the government from seizing the Jerusalem District Electric Company, which is owned by Arab interests.**

The court will table a final judgment later this year. Until then, all eyes will be on Justices Haim Cohn, Yitzhak Kahan and Moshe Beisky. It will be incumbent on them to disentangle the legal issues from the political ones in dispute.

The injunction they handed down at the beginning of the new year was necessitated because neither side was prepared to compromise. The government is determined to take over the Jerusalem District Electric Company. The 400 employees say they will not cooperate with Israel if the Supreme Court rules against them.

Established many years ago, the company distributes power to approximately 350,000 Palestinians in East Jerusalem, Ramallah, Bethlehem and Jericho. It also supplies power to some 15,000 Jews in neighborhoods in Jerusalem built after the Six Day War, army camps and settlements scattered across the West Bank.

**Israel's ministry of energy contends that the Arab firm can't provide adequate service because it is financially unstable and because it produces power from inefficient diesel generators. It argues, as well, that the company buys up to two-thirds of its needs from the Israeli electric grid.**

Jewish customers complain about power disruptions and poor service, and nationalists among them argue that Israeli settlements in the occupied areas shouldn't be at the mercy of an Arab electric company.

Anwar Nusseibeh, chairman of the Jerusalem District Electric Company, and a former Jordanian minister of defence, says the military governor of the West Bank vetoed his proposal to buy modern equipment. And he maintains that the company is financially secure, having acquired substantial grants from Jordan (which still pays its former officials their weekly salaries).

In common with his fellow Palestinians, Nusseibeh believes that Israel's planned seizure of the company is a thinly-veiled attempt by Israel to "Judaize" the West Bank and disrupt financial links between it and Jordan.

If successful, they say, Israel would force the Arabs of the West Bank to be totally dependent on its largesse.

Israel's bid to control the Jerusalem District Electric Company, together with its settlements policy, is proof that Israel is not sincere about giving the Palestinians the practical right to "full autonomy," Arab spokesmen claim.

Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i has offered Nusseibeh $3.9 million by way of compensation. But the figure is viewed as ridiculous by Arabs, who think the company's assets are worth at least $170 million.

In any event, they don't want to sell. They base their arguments on the contention that Israel is not the legal successor authority to Jordan in East Jerusalem and the West Bank, conquered by Israel in the Six Day War.

Therefore, their line of reasoning goes, Israel has no right to take over contracts signed between the residents of the areas and Jordan.

**Deputy Attorney-General Yoram Bar Sela claims that Israel's minister of energy has "absolute discretion" under the terms of the original concession and is not required to offer reasons for the takeover.**

He rejects allegations that the government's motive is colored by politics. "There is no justification in the 1980s for a small company that . . . purchases two-thirds of its power from the Israel Electric Corporation."

This is the simmering controversy that faces the Israeli Supreme Court. In the past, the court has sometimes jolted the government of the day by its decisions. It will be recalled, for example, that the justices ruled against the government's settlement policy in the case of Eilon Moreh.

**Whether the justices strike another blow against the government remains to be seen. One thing is certain, though. The decision will have far-reaching consequences for everyone concerned.**

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## Living Halacha

By RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

**Question: If fish has been prepared and cooked by people not of our faith, can that fish be considered kosher?**

Fish present us with just as many and just as serious kashruth problems as does meat. That's why we have tinned sardines, tuna and salmon that carry a kashruth identification.

And don't think that this is a new idea for making money out of hechsherim. Many years ago, the Darke Teshuva, on Yore De'ah, Chapter 113, gloss 73, forbade the eating of sardines "as there is a great fear that forbidden oils may have been used in the packing in distant lands."

Rabbi Moses Burak

Yet, from time to time, someone blossoms forth with a statement that fish may be considered kosher even when cooked and served in trefa restaurants and hotels. This type of idea comes from those who have superlative powers of imagination coupled with a very small appetite for facts.

In one's imagination it is possible to say "fish is fish." Again, using imagination one can say: "My mother would buy a fish, clean it, salt it, put it in a pot of water, add a little celery, an onion and some carrots, and bring it to a boil. That's how fish is made. Nobody does it differently."

So much for imagination.

But, a hotel does not employ a chef who cooks like mother cooked. He has a library of books on cooking. A look at the revised edition of "The Art of Fish Cookery," Milo Miloradovich's 1970 book, will show you how far he has gone past your mother. On page 127 he gives you a recipe for SALMON AMERICAN INDIAN. You learn there that a 5-pound piece of salmon steak requires six slices of bacon and two ounces of butter. On page 75 you have the recipe for SMELT AU GOURMET, and there you are told that 24 medium-sized smelt need ¼ pound butter and two tablesppons bacon grease. Just like mother used to make it?

**Suppose we take something simpler, like page 146 which gives us the recipe for WHITING BAKED WITH CUCUMBERS. There's a dish that sounds kosher, but let's take a look. It calls for two pounds whiting fillets. Good. One small onion, minced. Good. Then, ½ cup chicken broth! Oy gevalt!**

My questioner then says that perhaps in a Chinese restaurant they cook the way mother did. Personally, I am not so sure that's a sensible idea. China is thousands of miles from the great Jewish centres, so why should their cooking be similar to ours?

A look at the book, "Peking Cooking" (1971) by Kenneth H. C. Lo, will supply us with some facts about Chinese cooking. On page 98 you will find the recipe for Soft Braised Sliced Carp. Carp! There's a fish that mother used to make. But Mr. Lo has an unusual formula for his carp. For a 1-pound piece of carp he uses 1½ tablespoons of lard, and ¼ cup of beef broth.

**I could give you many more examples of such fishy formulas, but I think that by now you may have gotten the point.**

Now, you can begin to understand just how scientific and wise the sages of the Talmud and Codes were, and just how much wishful thinking goes into some of our modern heretical rulings.

The Code Yore De'ah, Chapter 113, spells out the ruling which prohibits the eating of foods cooked by non-Jews. The Gilyon Maharsha, in his opening gloss, cites an early authority who permits drinking coffee in a coffee-house. He goes on to ask whether that was because only black coffee was served there, but now that we use milk with our coffee (and today we have some outright trefa whiteners for coffee), maybe he could not allow it.

**Eating foods that are in the category called "bishule nochrim" leads to intermarriage, says the Talmud. We have a Midrash that says that in the days of the Messiah, pork will become kosher. Till then fish remains trefa in trefa restaurants; the Messiah hasn't arrived yet.**

# Shimon Peres' career is series of ups and downs

By MATTI GOLAN

JERUSALEM —

The smell of victory is in the air in Labor Party circles — the party that ruled Israel for 29 consecutive years . . . the party of Ben Gurion and Golda Meir.

Why did the party fall from power in the general election of 1977?

The reasons were numerous . . . but its failure was not due primarily to foreign policy but, rather, to internal problems. Scandals involving strikes, corruption, constant quarrels among cabinet ministers — all those contributed to the general feeling that the long years of power had brought about an almost total decline in the party.

The irony in the results of the election is that the public rejected the Labor Party, but its displeasure was not expressed in the shift of its votes to the Likud, the biggest opposition block. Actually, the Likud won nothing but a small increase of three seats in the Knesset.

The largest number of Labor Party voters switched to the new Democratic Movement for Change, founded a few months before. This new body managed to establish an outstanding precedent by winning 15 seats in the Knesset out of a total of 120.

As the party with the greatest number of representatives, the Likud was authorized to form the government. It was joined by the Democratic Movement for Change and the National Religious Party.

A short time afterwards, Anwar Sadat, the President of Egypt, set out for his historic visit to Jerusalem, which initiated the peace process.

About that time it was decided on a "reversal" to facilitate Israel's economic independence. The new government, as a body, functioned in a manner which seemed harmonious in comparison with that of its predecessor.

At that period it looked as though Menachem Begin and his cabinet were incapable of a gauche move. The ruling party's popularity, as well as the dream of a rosier future, was at its apex.

It is not easy to pinpoint the exact date or event at which the dramatic volte-face occurred. Perhaps it was a more gradual process. At any rate, the general picture declined almost totally.

**When the price that Israel would have to pay for the promised peace became known — especially the ceding of the Sinai oil wells to Egypt — the nation's enthusiasm receded substantially. Furthermore, inflation soared from an annual 30% to a record of 180%. Inter-governmental relations were almost completely shattered, each minister conducting his own private war in public against his colleagues.**

The saddest figure in this melancholy setup was that of Menachem Begin. Even those who hadn't agreed with his policy had been convinced that he was still endowed with the qualities of a real leader. Now, he looked like a tired, disappointed man who was losing not only the reins but all interest in what was going on around him.

In this state of affairs it is small wonder that the Labor Party began to thrive afresh. Even those who declined to overlook its past mistakes were beginning to hanker for its leadership when they compared it with Begin's government. Many people from all walks of public life, who had previously taken no interest in politics, started to join the party in order to precipitate its return to power, believing that it could and would repair the damage perpetrated by the Likud rulers.

**The only cloud on the azure sky of the Labor Party was the confrontation between its chairman, Shimon Peres, formerly the defence minister, and the previous Prime Minister, Yitzhak Rabin, and their constant contest for the premiership as well as for the leadership of the labor movement.**

This was not an ordinary political quarrel between two different ideologies or between two persons aspiring to the top level. A definite hallmark of the present fracas was the abysmal resentment that Rabin showed for Peres. Before the party leadership conference in December, Rabin had written an autobiographical book in which he called his adversary and inveterate intriguer unfit to serve as premier, and stated that he, Rabin, would not participate in any cabinet that Peres might head in the future.

The feud was beset with accusations and denigrations on both sides, while Begin and his followers stood by and enjoyed the spectacle. They sincerely hoped that it would not stop with the convention and that the Labor Party, which was making such an exhibition of itself, would fall considerably in the eyes of the public.

This hope might have materialized if the rivals had gained equal or near-equal votes at the conference, or if the victory of the winning side had been exceedingly small. But this did **not** happen. Peres won 71% of the votes and Rabin the remaining 29%.

But it wasn't Peres alone who came out strengthened from the conference. The whole Labor Party was considerably fortified.

Already, during the first days following the dispersal of the delegates, it transpired that the overwhelming majority of Rabin's supporters were for patching up the quarrel. True, Rabin himself wasn't anxious to bury the hatchet. In all probability he will never reconcile himself to serve under Peres. The current evaluations is that he will be elected to the next Knesset but will not be invited to join the government.

The impressive triumph was undoubtedly the pinnacle of Peres' career, which has had many ups and downs. His political life began at quite an early age as one of the small group known as Ben Gurion's Boys. Other members of this group were Yitzhak Navon, now President of Israel, and Moshe Dayan, former defence minister.

In the first years of the state, Ben Gurion, then Prime Minister and minister of defence, appointed Peres to the post of the ministry of defence director-general. A few years later Peres was elected to the Knesset, and Ben Gurion promoted him to the post of deputy defence minister.

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Shimon Peres riding high.

**During these years Shimon Peres was responsible for a series of decisions and actions which decided Israel's defence policy. He was the architect of the relations with France, which supplied arms and ammunition to Israel when all other Western countries refused to do so. But over and beyond this he managed to establish personal connections with military and intelligence circles in France, and these relations led to close co-operation between the two countries.**

These ties culminated in the building of the Dimona nuclear reactor. At that time, the majority of Israel's ministers objected, for various reasons, to this bold project. The minister for the treasury, the late Pinchas Sapir, described it as "an absolute lunacy." Even Ben Gurion had some misgivings. But Peres pushed his ideas incessantly, and his tireless efforts managed to convince the Old Man.

Another enterprise initiated by Shimon Peres, probably the greatest scheme of them all, was the establishment of an aircraft industry.

When this project was started the financial resources of the 3-year-old State of Israel were exceedingly meagre, and she had less than two million inhabitants. About this matter, too, the majority of cabinet ministers were doubtful, claiming there was no chance that such a poor and small state could achieve tangible results in this field. They maintained that instead of investing the state's scarce funds in such a hopeless project it would be better to allot them to the acquisition of aircraft. Israel, they argued, was destined to rely on others for her military needs.

Peres refused to yield to this approach. His enthusiasm infected Ben Gurion. In its infancy the new enterprise concentrated on the overhaul of motors and the production of spare parts. Today, it manufactures elaborate missiles, combat aircraft, etc., not only for the country's use but for export as well.

During the six years of his preoccupation with defence projects, Peres proved that he had the rare combination of elan and pragmatic skill. Now, his way to the top seemed devoid of obstacles — merely a question of time.

But all of a sudden there occurred the hitch that threatened to disrupt his meteoric rise to power. At the end of the 50s an intelligence affair, which embarrassed the government, blew up with unexpected violence. As a result, Ben Gurion retired from the premiership and left the Labor Party, intending to form a party of his own.

Peres didn't agree with the Old Man's motives, nor with his decision to quit. Yet he could not bring himself to abandon his master and patron in his direst hour. He left the Labor Party and was elected general secretary of the new one, named Rafi (Hebrew initials for "the Israeli Laborers Movement), which won only 10 seats in the Knesset. Ben Gurion, beaten and disappointed, retired completely from the country's political life.

It was Peres who managed to push Rafi back into the Labor Party, now headed by Golda Meir who, never forgave Peres for the sin of the original split, incidentally.

Only when the last of the Old Guard had faded away was the road open for Shimon Peres, and even then it was none too smooth. Three times he fought with Rabin for the leadership of the party. Twice, Rabin was backed by the party's apparatus and formidable moguls, but his victory was almost insignificant. The third time, Peres won by an overwhelming majority and was crowned the undisputed party leader.

Despite his impressive triumph in December, Shimon Peres will **not** be a sole ruler in the Ben Gurion tradition. A born team player, he listens attentively, consults others, is always ready to convince and be convinced. But whenever he believes in a certain cause or project he won't rest until his colleagues espouse it too.

Peres' political views have changed with the years. Until some time ago he was considered a definite hawk. When appointed minister of defence he supported many of the new settlements on the West Bank of the Jordan. Today, his opinions appear to be more moderate. He still wants to establish new settlements in that area, but only in zones which are not heavily populated by Arabs, and with the proviso that the timing would not hamper Israel's relations with the United States and Egypt.

# *Program depicts Soviet Jews plight, discusses discrimination, integration*

By DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO —

A documentary depicting the plight of Soviet Jews will be heard on CBC Radio's "Open Circuit" program across Canada, on Sunday, Feb. 1, at 9.05 p.m. est. (In the Maritimes, on Saturday, Jan. 31, at 10.05 p.m., 10.35 in Newfoundland). It is well worth listening to.

Prepared by Toronto-based freelancer Diane Silverman and CBC producer Len Scher, the documentary discusses:

- the discrimination and persecution faced by Jews in the Soviet Union.
- some reasons why emigrants choose North America and Europe over Israel.
- the culture shock that many experience here.
- the immigrants' unpreparedness for Judaism as a religion.
- their relationship with the rest of the community.
- the success of specific programs in integrating them.

For a one-hour program, it is remarkably comprehensive. Ms. Silverman told The Canadian Jewish News she had been working on it since last summer.

Among those heard are: Bella Bytensky, author of "From Russia With Luggage;" her 40-year-old son Vadim; Irwin Cotler, Canadian Jewish Congress president and law professor at McGill University; Donald Schwartz, a professor of Russian studies at the University of Toronto and recently a consultant for Jewish Immigrant Aid Srvices; Carol Krames, director of Hamilton Jewish Social Services; and Sarah Berkovich, an immigrant from a long line of observant Russian families.

Narrator is Harry Mannis.

The program is enlightening and moving. For example, Bella Bytensky cites among her reasons for coming to Canada and not Israel her familiarity with English, the similarity of our climate to the Soviet Union's, her preference to live under a non-socialist regime, and the presence of close relatives here. But it was not an easy choice. "I consider myself a traitor," she says, "both to Israel and to the Soviet Union."

**Cotler, who is defence attorney for several Soviet dissidents, including Anatoly Scharansky, discusses the persecutions and prosecutions that make up the lot of a Jew wishing to emigrate. These include job dismissal, harassment by secret police and a variety of psychological torments.**

The reasons for Jews wishing to emigrate from Russia in the first place are presented. These include spontaneous and state-fostered anti-semitism, and the rigorous uprooting of Jewish religious observances. Sarah Berkovich, who left the Soviet Union in 1974, said it took seven weeks to find someone to act as mohel for their baby; the circumcision was done in a cloud of fear. "If the authorities found out, they could put the mohel and the parents in jail and take the child away," says Mrs. Berkovich.

Also pointed out was the fact that of the more than 50 languages spoken in the Soviet Union, Hebrew was singled out for suppression as the language of "a reactionary regime and an alien ideology." Unlike any other minority, there is no state theatre, school or cultural institution for the Jews. "The total liquidation of Jewish culture" marked the end of the Stalin era — "the wasteland has been allowed to persist."

Among the effects of emigration has been a further decrease in the number of Jews admitted to higher education in the Soviet Union, the program points out.

In their new environment, Soviet Jews find much to adjust to. Competing for jobs and dwellings is part of the North American way — an outlook that must be adjusted to in total before the status of immigrant can be shed. This is particularly painful for highly educated Soviet Jews, whose level of acculturation may never match their professionalism.

The program discusses the frustrations suffered as specialized careers have to be scrapped.

**The problems of integrating into the Jewish community are also discussed. The encounter with Judaism as a religion for the highly assimilated "brainwashed" immigrants is often perplexing and occasionally painful. Says Vadim Bytensky: "Religion separated us from those who brought us here."**

Carol Krames speaks about the "one-to-one" approach that is apparently succeeding in integrating Soviet Jews into Hamilton's overall Jewish community — cultural, social and religous.

Vadim Bytensky reveals the homesickness for Russia that many middle-aged immigrants continue to suffer even as they adjust to the increased tensions and mobility of life in North America. "We didn't expect such levels of unhappiness," he says.

**This is probably the best Canadian production on Soviet Jews to date. It can undoubtedly serve as a starting point for increased dialogue between Soviet Jews and the rest of the community.**

# Strengthening of ties hoped for Blacks, Jews

By ANDREA PARKER

BUFFALO, N.Y. —

Buffalo Jewish community leaders predict a strengthening of ties between the Black community and the Jewish community, sparked by the success of a Martin Luther King celebration and the failure of a neo-Nazi rally, on Jan. 15. Members of the Jewish community were actively involved in planning the celebration (CJN, Jan. 15.)

"We will be working toward co-operative feeling and mutual understanding," said Gail C. Kaplan, president of the Jewish Federation of Greater Buffalo.

"We haven't had the communication we would like," she said, but she added that as a result of the "hard days, we will begin a dialogue."

An estimated crowd of 5,000 Blacks and whites attended the King celebration, which took place on the murdered civil rights leader's birthday.

Only two supporters joined neo-Nazi leader Karl Hand Jr. in a rally a few blocks away. Before the event, it was feared that anti-Nazi factions would clash with the Nazis, in a confrontation between right and left-wing groups.

**Harold Axlerod, chairman of the Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Federation of Greater Buffalo, said the small number of Nazis who did show up did not surprise him. "While we had some anti-semitic incidents, they (the Nazis) are not organized, and there is not a great number."**

Kaplan said she was pleased the media played up the positive aspect of the celebration, as opposed to the anti-Nazis rally. She added, though, that it was a shame the media took the single request for a rally by Hand several months ago and "perhaps blew it out of proportion."

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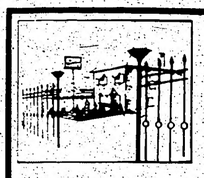

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# Response to anti-semitism

A recent United Press report from Los Angeles, widely distributed in North American newspapers, spoke of young Jewish people in California taking light-arms training. An accompanying photo showed a young girl wincing as she attempted to aim a rifle properly.

This is indeed a sad commentary on the status of the Jewish people circa 1940 — 40 years after the Holocaust. The venue, moreover, is startling: it is not the Golan Heights where young Jews are arming, but sunny California, home of Hollywood, Beverley Hills and CHIP.

It is easy to rush to judgment and condemn those who seek to take the law into their own hands. If every group in North America resorts to armed intervention to protect its rights, the result will be anarchy and violence of the most odious variety. Vigilanted justice is generally injustice.

We cannot, therefore, endorse the bizarre movement now afoot in the Los Angeles area which is involved in training Jews for a future confrontation with undesignated enemies. The whole experiment smacks of adventurism and misplaced romanticism.

**However much we deplore the development, it is a logical consequence of certain disquieting occurrences which have been buffeting the Jewish world in the past decade. One has only to consider the following.**

• The United Nations has become a seed-bed of anti-semitism. The jump from anti-Zionism to the equally noxious anti-semitism has already been made by the Jordanian delegate who recently charged at a UN forum that the world press was controlled by Jews. His words were applauded by numerous Third World colleagues.

• Denying the Holocaust is now becoming fashionable even in "cultivated" circles. A French professor has joined the small but dangerous coterie of academics who rebut assertions about Jewish suffering. The motives of those who engage in such exercises are suspect.

• The KKK and other white supremacists groups are gaining strength. The media assist their growth by according a disproportionate amount of air time to those agents of violence who propose a "purging" of North American society of its non-white (read black and Jewish) elements.

**It has been observed that Jews have more finely attuned antennae than others. Our early warning systems have been alerted. The California response is understandable in the context of what is happening.**

# Bloody retribution

CJN columnist Gabi Ben-Dor who shares space with us on this page was wont to observe recently that the Arab nations had effected a significant triumph by keeping the cause of the Palestinians alive.

**They had achieved this success by refusing to permit anything but the barest assistance from reaching their brethren in the refugee camps. By denying them the comforts of home and security the Arab states had forced the Palestinians to concentrate all their energies on the demon Israel, thereby perpetuating their unique identity as a "usurped people."**

This policy, which most enlightened people would describe as callous in the extreme, served its purpose well. It has produced four million Palestinians whose irredentist desires against Israel remain as strong today as they did in 1948.

Is it not inappropriate, however, to ask at what cost did the Arab states achieve this substantial "victory?"

In five costly wars since 1948 the Arabs have lost more than 100,000 soldiers; many more bear the indelible scars of combat.

The systematic exclusion of the Palestinians from the "Arab nation," the systematic inculcation of hatred towards Jews and Israel, have, it is true, helped preserve the political profile of the people who have dwelled in refugee camps for more than 30 years now.

There has been a cost factor that the original Arab architects did not calculate. The treatment of the Palestinians as objects rather than as human beings, as a principle of Arab government policy over 33 years, has introduced a destabilizing element into the Mideast which, in the long run, has affected Arab governments far more than Israel.

**Since 1948 virtually every Arab state which participated in the heinous quarantine of the Palestinians has suffered repercussions of the most unsavory variety. Coups d'etat, bloody uprisings, political assassinations, and armed insurrection are the price which the Arab states have paid for the dubious distinction of having kept open the wound suffered by their Palestinian compatriots in the wake of the 1948 war.**

The emirs and princes and kings who now quake in their boots at the prospect of revolution are seeing the chickens coming home to roost.

# Diary of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

Feb. 5, 1840, marked the start of the Damascus affair, the most infamous of the 19th century's 42 blood libel cases.

For seven months the Jews of Damascus were terrorized as many of their number were tortured and killed; cries of outrage from liberal circles around the world were ignored in the political opportunism and anti-semitism that prevailed in the Middle East.

A Capuchin friar and his servant, involved in some underhanded dealings, disappeared after a violent argument with a Moslem competitor. The Capuchins immediately accused the Jews of murdering them to use their blood for Passover. Rather than investigate personally, the French consul, under whose jurisdiction were placed local Catholic affairs, called in the local representative of the area's Cairo-based ruler.

Syria at the time was under the control of Mehemet Ali, the pasha of Egypt. His recent secession from Turkish rule presented the French with a chance for political entry into the Middle East. They sought the Moslems' good graces. An impartial investigation would have uncovered some nefarious affairs and left a Moslem as the accused murderer, sorely trying French-Moslem relations.

**The "investigation" was an exercise in unchecked barbarity. A barber, Solomon Negrin, was arbitrarily arrested. Under unrelenting torture, he "confessed" and gave the names of seven leading Jews in the community. They were arrested. Two died under torture, and one converted to Islam to save himself. More names were torn out of the others, leading to further arrests and tortures.**

Bones found in Damascus' Jewish quarter were hailed by the accusers as the remains of the friar's attendant. A prominent Syrian physician expressed doubts that the bones were human, and urged authorities to forward them to Europe for identification. The French consul, Ratti-Menton, refused.

Now, 63 Jewish children were seized from their mother to extort the supposed location of the friar's blood. The interrogators went to work on them.

Mounting protests and objections from across the world were ignored by the Syrian authorities. France took no steps to halt the procedures. The pleas of the French community's leading Jew, Isaac-Adolphe Cremieux, and of the Montefiores, fell on deaf ears. The chance for a foothold in the Middle East overruled all other considerations in Paris.

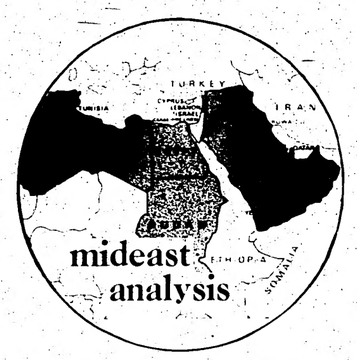
One of the Jews hauled in was an Austrian citizen. After repeated local efforts to halt procedures proved futile, Austria's consul-general in Egypt, A. Laurin, approached the pasha directly. As a result, an order was sent in May to Damascus to protect the Jews from the violence of Moslem and Christian mobs. The interrogations were toned down.

**Cremieux and Sir Moses Montefiore, Britain's leading Jewish philanthropist, led a delegation to the pasha. Their request to conduct an investigation in Syria was refused. He finally agreed to release the prisoners, on Aug. 28, 1840. By then, most had died of torture and starvation.**

The Jewish delegation went on to Constantinople, where they obtained a proclamation from the sultan on the falsity of blood libel charges. Yet, for many years afterwards, inhabitants of Damascus continued to tell tourists about their saint martyred at the hands of the Jews, "who were saved from punishment by the intervention of an international Jewish conspiracy."

*Policy criticized at home and abroad*

# Tough approach to West Bank turmoil adopted by Israeli government in 1980




By SHELDON KIRSHNER

The Israeli military government ruling the West Bank would rather forget 1980. It was not a vintage year in terms of peace and tranquility. The 1.1 million Palestinians living there were in a rebellious mood, and the generals and the colonels who administer the territory cracked down hard on the dissenters.

To blunt the rough edge of the Palestinians' campaign of civil disobedience, Israel all but abandoned its relatively benign policy toward the West Bank and, to the chorus of domestic and international criticism and condemnation, replaced it with a tough approach.

**The turning point in Israeli-Palestinian relations on the West Bank probably occurred last May. Palestinians, since arrested, murdered six yeshiva students in Hebron, a hotbed of Arab nationalism. And Jewish extremists, still at large, planted bombs which maimed two Palestinian mayors, Karim Khalaf of Ramallah and Bassam Shaaka of Nablus.**

The tension caused by these related events was heightened when Israel deported to Lebanon two mayors associated with the National Guidance Council, an organization allied with the PLO.

Mohammed Milhem of Halhoul and Fahad Kawasmeh of Hebron were seized from their homes late at night, flown by helicopter to the Lebanese frontier and escorted across the border to waiting taxis. In retrospect, the expulsions proved counter-productive.

Milhem and Kawasmeh, viewed by some observers as moderates, were permitted to return to the West Bank five months later to await the Israeli Supreme Court verdict of their appeal. On Dec. 4, the court upheld the order but recommended that Prime Minister Menachem Begin reconsider it.

Begin would have none of that. On Dec. 5, the pair were again deported to Lebanon. International reaction was fairly swift. The UN Security Council called on Israel to readmit the mayors. Israel refused. In mid-December, the U.S., virtually Israel's only friend and protector in the Security Council, voted against Israel on a resolution urging Jerusalem to allow Milhem and Kawasmeh to return.

The U.S. decision to support the resolution was indicative of the unpopularity of Israel's occupation of the West Bank.

**In 1980, Israel's policy vis-a-vis the inhabitants of the West Bank was generally characterized by mass arrests, collective punishment, imprisonment without trial, demolition of houses, road blocks, the widespread banning of Palestinian books and, in one publicized case which gave Israel a black eye, the exile of two large families to abandoned refugee camps in the desert.**

Amnesty International, the London-based group which monitors the violation of human rights, was sharply critical of Israel in its annual report. It spoke of "the arrest and conviction of prisoners of conscience; the use of administrative measures to physically restrict individuals without due process of law, including detaining them without trial; the lack of effective safeguards to ensure that the basic rights of those in custody are protected . . ."

Meanwhile, Israel issued regulations making it harder for reporters to cover the West Bank. These, no doubt, were symbolic of the troubles besetting Israel.

The measures were introduced in November when a TV crew videotaped Israeli troops firing from a rooftop during a demonstration in which Palestinian youths were shot in the legs. The tape, showing the teenagers with bloody limbs, was broadcast in Israel, Europe and the U.S., much to the government's chagrin.

In reaction, the army moved against the journalists, declaring entire West Bank towns to be in military zones, and detaining reporters caught on the scene. Israeli spokesmen, justifying the edicts, contended that the presence of cameras contributed to the tension. "When they see TV, they start a demonstration," said Lieut.-Col. Amir Cheshin, an army spokesman.

**In the wake of the announcement, the army laid criminal charges against Howard Arenstein of United Press International, accusing him of being in a closed military area — the campus of Bir Zeit University — during a demonstration.**

The Foreign Press Association protested, rejecting as "baseless slanders" the assumption that the presence of newsmen triggered the outbreak of violence on the West Bank.

In a sense, the association was correct. The mere presence of reporters may encourage Palestinians to throw stones at Israeli soldiers and to burn tires. Yet the underlying causes for the disturbances go much deeper than that.

The Palestinians resent the occupation, the building of Jewish settlements and Israel's strictly legalistic interpretation of autonomy. In the past year or so, heartened by the growing acceptance of the Palestinian cause in Europe, and embittered by the get-tough policies of the Israeli military, the Palestinians have thrown caution to the wind.

If the Palestinians are militant, so are the Israelis. Matching them, word for word and blow for blow, are nationalists who regard the West Bank — or Judea and Samaria — as sacred Jewish territory necessary for Israel's sheer survival. The Begin government, more or less, agrees with these zealots, some of whom belong to Gush Emunim. The Labor Party, however, would probably be willing to relinquish the bulk of the West Bank under a peace agreement.

Likud's tendency to view the West Bank through messianic and religious eyes partly accounts for the severity of Israel's occupation, and the concomitant Palestinian response.

There is another reason, albeit more prosaic.

Ezer Weizman, the minister of defence who resigned last year, was in charge of running the day-to-day affairs of the occupation. He had much to do with the introduction of the "hard hand" policy, being outraged by the slaughter of six Jews in Hebron. But the policy he had in mind was not really implemented until after his resignation.

Under Weizman, strong-arm tactics were not unknown. But he possessed a sensitive eye for public opinion and was willing to change, even rescind, an action he thought would make Israel look bad at home or abroad. Thus, he reversed a decision to expel the mayor of Nablus.

**After Weizman's departure, Menachem Begin assumed the defence portfolio. Preoccupied by the autonomy talks, and caught up in the maelstrom of Israeli coalition politics, Begin had little time for the West Bank. He delegated his authority to Gen. Rafael Eitan, the chief of the armed forces.**

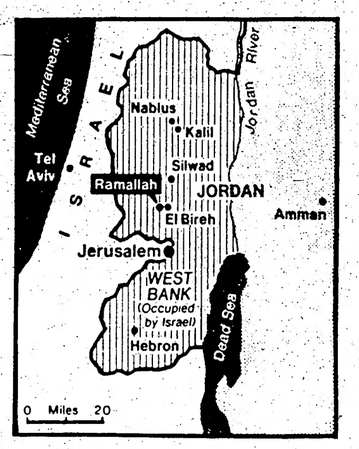
Eitan is a resourceful soldier and a brave one who earned his reputation over many years. During the Yom Kippur War, his stock rose tremendously as a result of his tactics in stopping the Syrian advance on the Golan Heights.

But Eitan is not a subtle man, and his views on the disposition of the occupied territories are to the right of Begin, who appointed him in a flurry of controversy.

As befits a soldier of the old school, Eitan sees problems through one set of lenses — security. Political considerations, which are of the utmost importance in a place like the West Bank, do not weigh heavily in Eitan's outlook.

Under the 1978 Camp David Accords, Israel is committed to "full autonomy" for the Palestinians, even if Israel's definition is limited to administrative, as opposed to judicial and legislative, autonomy.

The present government agreed to pull the military out of the West Bank, and to redefine its status within five years of 1979.




West Bank area [NY Times map]

Yet the opposite has happened. With Eitan's knowledge and approval, the army is pursuing an unprecedented heavy-handed policy (compared to the carrot-and-stick approach by the former Labor regime), and deepening its involvement in the lives of the embittered Palestinians. In short, as New Outlook magazine puts it, the army has begun to concern itself not merely with the threat of terrorism but with the larger question of Palestinian nationalism.

**Moshe Dayan, who has served as defence and foreign minister under two different governments, is not enamored of Israel's methods on the West Bank. Does suppression, he asks rhetorically, "square with the spirit of the autonomy plan?" Dayan says Israel should unilaterally transfer governing power on the West Bank [and the Gaza Strip] to local Palestinians — a concept Begin rejects.**

With leadership lacking in the ministry of defence, there is a yawning gap between the stated political goals of the government, and the actions of the army on the West Bank. Suppression, observers say, has become almost the only manifestation of Israeli contact with the Palestinians.

Such preoccupation with security in the narrowest sense was not typical of Israel's occupation prior to 1977, the year Likud swept to power. "Mr. Begin," The Jerusalem Post editorializes, "is content to allow his military administrators . . . to act like foreign tyrants lording it over a native population . . ."

Yehuda Litany, who reports on the West Bank for Haaretz, writes that the government deals with the Palestinians "as an enemy in all matters." He explains: "There is no distinction among political currents — pro-Jordanian, pro-PLO, Communist or member of the Moslem Brotherhood. All merit the same treatment."

Denouncing a few of the measures as counter-productive, Litany notes that they only exacerbate the resentment of the Palestinians.

In a similar vein, Hirsh Goodman, the military correspondent of The Jerusalem Post, contends that the occupation is self-destructive: "It is consuming us from within. It is diverting funds from an already inadequate military budget. It is besmirching the country's name in the international community. It is supplying ammunition to our enemies. It is radicalizing the Israel population. It is demoralizing troops bred on the principles of democracy."

**Instead of finding a workable solution, he adds, the government allows the problem to fester. Even Gen. Ariel Sharon, the hawkish minister of agriculture, advocates a policy restrained by sensitivity and unburdened by collective punishment.**

In the last analysis, Israel's policy is ambivalent. The generals and the colonels who implement it do not really aspire to impose a reign of terror on the Palestinians. On the other hand, the current government has every intention of retaining the West Bank. Under such circumstances, the civil disturbances — and the spate of terrorism — that so characterized 1980 are bound to grow in 1981.

Statistics released by the Israeli army point in that direction. In 1980, there were 90 serious terrorist incidents on the West Bank, 27 more than in 1979. The size of the increase illustrates the severity of the security problem facing Israel, despite the emergence of an iron-fisted policy.

Is there hope that the situation may change in the future?

Optimists say that a new Israeli government, guided by pragmatic considerations, will move quickly to defuse the tinderbox that is the West Bank. It could do so in a variety of ways, including the implementation of Dayan's scheme for a self-governing Palestinian authority on the West Bank.

Pessimists are not so sure that Dayan's plan, if carried out, would be effective or desirable. Rami Khouri, writing in the Journal of Palestine Studies, feels that Israel has everything to lose by offering Palestinians even a modicum of independence on the West Bank.

"Given the structural weaknesses and vulnerabilities of the Israeli economy today, the resources of the occupied territories are already playing an important role in keeping the Israeli economy on its precarious feet."

**Israel, Khouri comments, needs the West Bank's water, which now supplies about 30% of its national requirements; the West Bank's large labor pool, and the West Bank's captive market for its manufactured goods. "What would happen to the Israeli economy if it were forced to disengage from the web of relationships it has developed with the resources of the occupied territories?"**

These questions will play no small part in the formulation of a long-range Israeli policy toward the West Bank.

# *Hold Israeli elections now, and aim for majority*

By J. B. SALSBERG

I believe that I am as informed about Israel and its problems as most informed people are and, perhaps, even somewhat better. Nevertheless, there are times when even I am surprised and puzzled by events that take place in the Jewish state.

The cause of my latest bewilderment is the manner in which the forthcoming general election is being planned.

Under normal circumstances, the election of a new Knesset was due in November. But since the Begin government has literally disintegrated, the cabinet decided that rather than face a defeat in the Knesset it would dissolve parliament and call a new election fully six months before the life of the Knesset was to end.

**So far there is no reason for any surprise but rather an occasion for a sigh of relief. The political demise of the present Israeli government was foreseen and widely requested not only by opponents of Likud but an increasing number of its former supporters and former cabinet members. In July, on my return from my visit to Israel, I wrote that, in my view, Israel needed an election like parched earth needs rain. Events since then have literally made an early election inescapable.**

But, and here is the astonishment: The cabinet reached the decision to order the dissolution of the Knesset on Jan. 12 but fixed the election date for July 7!

**The question that naturally arises is, why, in the face of Israel's monumental problems, should the government leave the country in a state of political paralysis for a whole half of what may be Israel's most critical year?**

Canada, stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific, manages its general elections within two months and is aiming at 30-day campaigns. Why should Israel, a small country with a compact population, require a six-month election turmoil?

**The answer is that Israel doesn't need it, nor, for that matter, does its population want it. But some of its politicians want it. Israel's calamitous, splintered political scene invites the damaging political disruption that the projected six-month, inflammatory election campaign is bound to create.**

Of course I share the view that only the Israelis have the right to make the laws under which they are governed and that they and they alone have the right to choose the government that should be in power. But the fate of Israel lies also, and to a considerable extent, in the hands of the unequivocal supporters of the Jewish state, the diasporic Jews. Such all-season friends of Israel would also seem to have the right and the duty to advise Israelis not to doom their efforts to failure.

From this standpoint it should be said that Israel's governments, and most especially the present Begin government, have often bewildered and weakened the efforts of Israel's most dedicated friends.

Let us see:

The present government coalition, that includes many small splintered, extremist groups, has created a depressing picture of itself! Cabinet meetings have become fighting rings. Unbridled abuses have been heaped on each other at cabinet meetings and the exact epithets used being, of course, made public by the participants.

Threats of withdrawing from the government by miniscule "partners" if their pet legislation will not be enacted have degraded the respect and the authority of the government at home and abroad.

Ministers, and the most prominent among them, have resigned. Inflation is ravaging the country, employment is declining and while immigration is dropping sharply, emigration is reaching alarming proportions. All this while the peace negotiations are at a dead end and the US has a new and untested government relative to its attitudes to Israel and the entire Middle East.

If ever a country was in need of a cleansing of the political air it is Israel. And the time for such a clarification is **now** and **not six months from now.** Let whatever side win, but let it be a demonstrable choice of the majority of the Israeli people.

To achieve a majority government Israel must, in my view at least, quickly revamp its electoral law. The present system makes possible for countless groups, grouplets and even well-heeled individuals to reach the Knesset.

Of the 20 or so political slates that face the Israeli voters at least 15 are too many.

Israel just can't afford that system. It makes real, responsible government almost impossible and invites political huckstering and backroom deals inevitable. Israel cannot afford that kind of political climate to continue any longer.

The general election in Israel should take place now and not a half year away. Israel should also aim at a majority government to put an end to the divisive and demoralizing type of unworkable coalition government that it has had for more than three years.

## Bora Laskin observes shifting mood of Canadians

# *Supreme Court -- more creative approach*

**On Parliament Hill**

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

OTTAWA —

The Supreme Court of Canada, long considered an anaemic body, is being revitalized by the reforming zeal of an immigrant's son.

Bora Laskin, the chief justice, has lived up to expectations and begun to nudge the court of last resort from its narrow legalistic, fact-finding stance to a more creative law-making posture.

When Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau named him chief justice some seven years ago, the appointment was acclaimed as the harbinger of a new, progressive era in the affairs of this traditionally crusty institution.

Laskin, observers predicted, would not merely be a dry interpreter of the nation's law. He would be, as columnist Allan Fotheringham has written, "a translator of the shifting mood of a changing country."

**In a series of intellectually rigorous minority opinions which may well be the majority of opinions of the 1980s, Laskin's legal forays have taken him into the realms of constitutional, criminal and administrative law. A civil libertarian and a critic of government encroachment on the rights of citizens, Laskin has ruled on such issues of the day as abortion, civil liberties and capital punishment.**

As the debate on the constitution grows in intensity, the likelihood is that Laskin and his eight fellow justices will be called upon in the future to adjudicate the conflicting claims.

"So long as we have a federal system, this court is going to be at the centre of things," says Laskin, whose deep, piercing eyes and high cheek bones endow him with a certain steadfast quality.

Sixty eight years old, he is a native of Fort William, now Thunder Bay, Ont. After a career as a law professor at Osgoode Hall and the University of Toronto, Laskin was appointed to the Supreme Court of Ontatio. In March of 1970, the federal government elevated him to the Supreme Court — the first Jew to sit in its hallowed halls.

Despite his lack of seniority, Laskin got the nod as chief justice just three years later. His appointment owed nothing to political or geographical considerations — the factors that can play a role in government appointments to judicial and non-judicial bodies.

In 1978, Laskin underwent heart bypass surgery, forcing him to curtail his activities sharply. "I had two rough years," he says in an interview. "But I'm back in good health, carrying on as before, and I hope to continue."

"I don't feel 68," he adds.

Laskin's office, in an imposing marble and wood-panelled building a block away from the House of Commons, is impressive by any conventional standards. The fine furniture, the mahogany book shelves, the cream-colored wall-to-wall carpeting and the personal bric-a-brac — including a framed honorary degree from the Hebrew University — attest to the importance of Laskin's status.

Neatly stacked books lie on a low table at the far end of his big, sunlit room, revealing legal tomes, "Brezhnev: A Short Biography" and "An Illustrated History of the USSR."

**Nearby, on a credenza, are framed photographs of his family — wife Peggy [Tenenbaum], a graduate dietician from the University of Toronto; son John, a Toronto lawyer, and daughter Barbara, an employee of the Canada Council in Ottawa.**

A visitor to the Supreme Court building — erected in 1939, and opened by King George VI — leaves his name with a uniformed guard. He picks up the telephone receiver and puts a call through to Laskin's secretary. Minutes later, a fairly tall man in a 2-piece business suit descends the gray marble stairway. He is Laskin's receptionist and factotum — a retired executive who exudes an easy, somewhat informal manner.

On the second floor, which is utterly and irrevocably tranquil, he leads this reporter past glass doors into a restricted area — the nine justices' chambers.

Farther down the corridor, taking pride of place, are oil paintings of Laskin's predecessors in their resplendent red robes, solemn men with English and French-sounding names.

**There is a modernistic canvas depicting Laskin, the only justice among them all who ever spoke a fluent Yiddish.**

Laskin's anteroom, reserved for visitors, is graced by several high book shelves. Among the many books in the collection are his own, including "Canadian Constitutional Law."

The interview is set for 10 a.m., but it is not until 10.15 that the doors of the chief justice's chambers fly open. Clad in a conservative dark blue suit and black shoes, Laskin, who appears somewhat frail, is the epitome of gentility and understated charm as he shakes a visitor's hand and ushers him into his sanctum.

In the seven years he has occupied this office, Laskin has brought what observers feel is a fresh approach to the Supreme Court. "My attitude towards the judicial process is not likely to change," he explains in the course of a 1½-hour conversation. "I always regarded it as creative. It has changed and will continue to change, though there may be concern over the pace of change, that it lags far behind and that there should be more pre-vision on the part of judges."

**The law, he notes, is a "living force," and it is a judge's duty to make it compatible with society's aspirations. "You try to speak in terms that'll carry a given judgment beyond time and occasion."**

## Speaks fluent Yiddish

But, as Laskin is quick to point out, the court doesn't always have a free hand to fashion law as it so chooses. Much of Canadian law is enacted legislation, and as a result, it is the court's function to interpret and apply, rather than revise it.

"Our duty is to the law and the impartial administration of justice," he says.

In spite of the obvious limitations facing the court, Laskin has moulded it into a far more influential institution than it was a generation or so ago.

The Supreme Court was established in 1875 by an act of Parliament that is subject to change. Until 1949 it was the judicial committee of Britain's Privy Council that was Canada's top appellate court. Consequently, decisions were delivered in London, not Ottawa.

It wasn't until the 1950s that the Supreme Court came into its own. But it wasn't until 1975, at the initiation of Laskin, that the tribunal matured into the institution that it is today.

In 1975, Parliament passed an amendment to the Supreme Court Act allowing judges to pick and choose among cases that raise "significant questions of law." Until that year, there was an automatic right of appeal in all cases involving $10,000 or more and selected serious criminal cases.

"We got complete control over our docket and were able to exclude from the work load issues that depended only on the amount of money involved," Laskin says.

Due to the amendment, the complexity of cases increased, and the quality of litigation rose. Laskin agrees that the intellectual tone of the court was enhanced by these developments.

**In 1970, when Laskin arrived at the court, its reputation among lawyers and academics was said to be at a low ebb. Paul Weiler, an authority on the court, echoed the view of the majority when he wrote a book entitled "In the Last Resort." As he put it: "The law is now made in Canada but this hardly justifies its shoddy quality."**

Standards changed with Laskin's arrival, observers concur. References to Canadian cases in textbooks skyrocketed, at the expense of British ones.

Laskin also started the use of the full 9-member court on as many cases as possible and made every effort to minimize the differences between himself and most of his colleagues, who prefer a narrower interpretation of statutory law.

Despite his efforts to bridge the gap, disagreements of judgment have emerged. Three examples:

☐ In the Murdoch case, the majority held that a farm wife was not entitled to a share in her husband's estate just because she helped him run it. Dissenting, Laskin maintained that she was.

☐ The majority contended in the celebrated Morgentaler case that the Quebec Court of Appeal acted lawfully in substituting a verdict of conviction for the jury's acquittal. Laskin dissented, writing that the jury's decision did not warrant such an arbitrary reversal and the appeal court should have simply ordered a new trial.

☐ The court upheld, seven to two, a conviction of a soldier charged with possessing and trafficking in marijuana. The majority declared that a serviceman charged with a criminal offence under military law does not have a civilian's right to preliminary hearing, choice of jury, and bail. Laskin wrote the dissent.

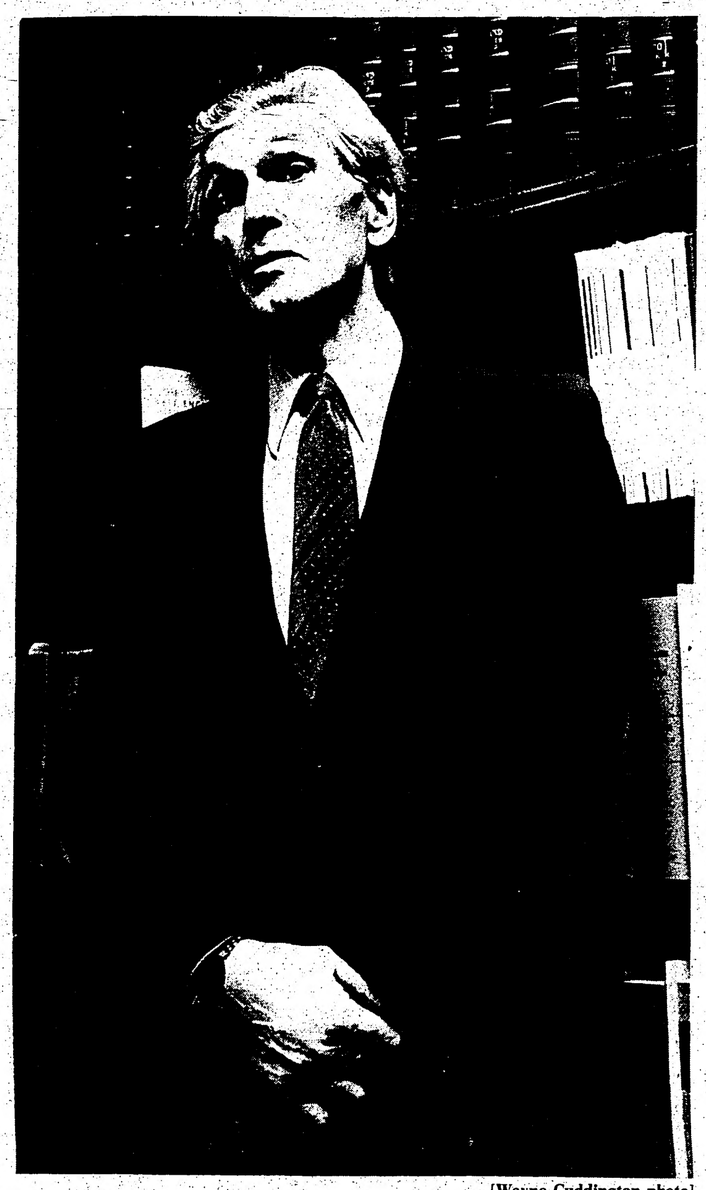
**The first two cases were heard in the mid 1970s. Laskin's dissent in Murdoch has become the accepted norm today. In Morgentaler, his view helped trigger a change in the law: jury acquittals can no longer be turned around by Canadian courts.**

It remains to be seen how the third case will develop in the years ahead. But if the past is any guide, Laskin's minority opinion well may set the tone in the future.

Laskin, however, is no rebel. "No responsible judge can make a fetish of dissent," he says. "On the other hand, no judge goes to a court with a commitment to majority decisions."

In 70% of its rulings, the court is unanimous, he remarks. "That speaks a lot for the collegiality of the court. It's a very precious element."

He arrives at his office each day at 9 and leaves at 5, invariably taking back work to his home. As chief justice, Laskin plans the agenda and the order of cases to be heard.



[Wayne Cuddington photo]

**Chief Justice Bora Laskin in his office in Ottawa.**

Last year, the Supreme Court heard some 125 cases. Rejected were 275 applications.

In common with his fellow justices, Laskin must absorb a great deal of information. "We all like to feel that when we come into court we are on top of the case so far as the written material is concerned. That requires an enormous amount of reading.

In his spare time, Laskin reads biography and fiction. Among his favorite novelists are Saul Bellow and I. B. Singer.

Although he is chief justice, Laskin claims he has no more authority than any other judge in the formulation of any given decision. Consensus, he says, is the objective. "By the time a case comes here, it has been through two courts and, therefore, the issues have been refined and pretty well crystallized. We don't have to roam over the map."

Asked to compare the Supreme Court with its counterparts in the U.S., Laskin says: "Our range is broader, even though our authority may be narrower."

**Laskin expresses sorrow that the general public is woefully unaware of court proceedings. "I am not so sure the public appreciates what the role is, of where we sit in relation to the operations of the judicial system as a whole."**

Media reporting is far from satisfactory. The media, he laments, don't have sufficient numbers of reporters to interpret Supreme Court decisions. "The French press deals more effectively and intelligently with the issues than the English press," he adds.

Laskin is also irked by the fact that Canadian newspapers are invariably more interested in U.S. Supreme Court decisions. "It's disconcerting."

If it is any solace to him, Laskin knows that Canadian Supreme Court rulings elicited even less interest when he was a youth growing up in Fort William.

Laskin's father, Max, was a Russian Jew who immigrated to Canada after fighting in the 1904 Russian-Japanese War. Before settling in Fort William, the elder Laskin, who died in 1955, lived in Winnipeg, where he met his wife, Bluma, who bore him three children.

Max Laskin ended up in Fort William, his son Bora says, because he was led to believe farming could be pursued successfully at the Lakehead. Maybe it could be, but Max Laskin did not make a success of it. He turned to business, opening a furniture and appliance store, run today by Saul Laskin, Bora's younger brother — the first mayor of Thunder Bay (formed by the amalgamation of Fort William and Port Arthur). Charles Laskin, his second brother, died 10 years ago.

**The Laskin boys got a solid Jewish education, being taught Hebrew by an Hebraist. "We were a very Jewish-oriented family," he says. "My father was quite prominent in the shul."**

Back in those days, Fort William and nearby Port Arthur had a Jewish community consisting of some 100 families. "If there are 30 families now, it's a lot."

Bora Laskin remained in Fort William until the age of 17, at which time he was sent to the University of Toronto. "I used to spend my summers in Fort William. Once I entered law school, my visits to home became fewer and fewer."

Why did he choose to study law? "This was in my mind since when I was 12. Maybe I was influenced by the lawyers who acted for my father in legal matters."

Laskin was called to the bar in 1937, after which he studied at Harvard. In 1940, he began to lecture at the University of Toronto, specializing in constitutional and labor law. He fell into constitutional law. "I inherited the course when I started to teach." As for labor law, Laskin felt he should get into it because it was such a new field.

He got married in 1938.

As an academic, Laskin established a formidable reputation, churning out numerous papers dealing with land and Canadian constitutional law. In the 1950s, in a Canadian Bar Review article, he wrote that geographical considerations should be abolished in favor of a strict merit system in the selection of Supreme Court judges.

In 1965, Laskin was named to the Court of Appeal of the Supreme Court of Ontatio. "I had no expectation at all of a judicial appointment. It came out of the blue. I was on holiday in London when I was offered the post. I had no hesitation about accepting it. I wanted a change, although I enjoyed teaching."

Before becoming a judge, Laskin, a member of Toronto's Holy Blossom Temple, was active in Canadian Jewish Congress as a legal advisor. "Once I became a judge, it was impossible to be involved organizationally."

**The recipient of 22 honorary degrees, Laskin has been to Israel twice, once to deliver the Lionel Cohen Lecture at the Hebrew University [on "The Institutional Character of the Judge"], and in 1976 to attend an international conference of Jewish lawyers and judges.**

In Israel, he had an unexpected opportunity to practice his flawless Yiddish. The dean of the Hebrew University's law faculty, whom he met, knew little English. So Laskin and he chatted away merrily in the mamaloshen.

He says he was impressed by Israel's super-charged atmosphere, its high level of technology and its disproportionate number of universities.

**His connection with Israel continues. This May, in Montreal, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev will present Laskin with an award — the highest honor it can bestow. A month later, in Ottawa, a Weizmann Institute fellowship in his name will be formally announced.**

Laskin, the onetime chancellor of Lakehead University, has no intention of stepping down from the Supreme Court, his recent ill-health notwithstanding.

He has limited the number of social engagements he'll attend, but he says he remains hale and hearty. "I want to carry on until the retirement age of 75," Laskin comments. "I've no reason to shed my responsibilities any earlier."

**The work at the Supreme Court, he says, is exhilarating and immensely enjoyable. If he has his way, Bora Laskin will remain the shining fixture of Canadian law for at least seven more years.**

# *LETTERS TO THE EDITOR*

### CJC brief

In response to Prof. Mel Himes' letter on the Canadian Jewish Congress brief to the parliamentary committee on the Canadian constitution (CJN Jan. 8) may I point out the following:

1. Prior to writing the brief, we received the approval of our national executive, a democratically elected body representing virtually the totality of the Jewish community.

2. We asked our regions across the country to give their views to the select committee on the constitution, chaired by Prof. Maxwell Cohen.

3. The main provisions of the brief were presented by Prof. Cohen to the national executive, which after lengthy deliberations approved the thrust of the brief.

4. It was imperative because of time constraints to appoint the select committee of distinguished lawyers and members of the Jewish community to draft the brief without delay, as this had to be in the possession of the parliamentary committee on Nov. 12.

5. Finally, may I clarify the allegation that the Canadian Jewish Congress brief is "racist." The select committee recommended that Section 23/1 of the proposed constitution read as follows:

"Any person residing in Canada whose language of education at the primary or secondary level is that of the English or French linguistic minority population of the province in which he or she resides has the right to have his or her children receive their kindergarten, primary and secondary school instruction in that minority language.

"If he or she resides in an area of the province in which the number of children of such residents is sufficient, public funds shall be provided for such instruction."

I leave it to your readers to decide if this recommendation is "racist."

It is regrettable that Prof. Himes did not see fit to be in touch with Congress before writing his letter, which is unburdened with a knowledge of the facts.

**Alan Rose**
**Executive Vice-President**
**Canadian Jewish Congress**
**Montreal**

### Hertzberg speech

Your editorial in the issue of Dec. 18 criticizing Dr. Arthur Hertzberg's recent talk in Toronto, is misunderstanding in emphasis rather than concept.

I attended that lecture and found it to be a brilliant expose of the current world Jewish scene, with its deep spiritual malaise and its vital priorities. Dr. Hertzberg surely is as concerned about the centrality, security and well-being of Israel as any Jewish leader on the world scene. He understands the curse and danger of anti-semitism, as well as anyone.

My letter is less designed to defend Dr. Hertzberg — he can well speak for himself and does so vociferously — rather than to emphasize the main thesis of his talk.

Yes, he did say that political activism advanced as an "is-all and cure-all" might well be a "copout" and it often is. This does not detract from the efforts of the many community leaders who spend of their time and their means to defend the security and dignity of the world Jewish community.

**But a people — particularly a faith people — is only as strong as its own spiritual resources, particularly that of its youth. Looked at from that point of view, the scene in the western world is indeed gloomy. While we battle for the rights of Soviet Jews to practice and study their religion in the USSR, tens of thousnads of our youth cop out of the Jewish communities of North and South America and Europe year by year. Only educating our children in the values of Jewish tradition will ultimately be the guardian of the existence of the State of Israel and of the survival of the world Jewish community.**

Indeed, without putting a very large portion of our community funds around the world and a tremendous personal effort into maximum Jewish education, our future is bleak. Fortunately, Toronto is a fine example of this awareness. Such education must stress Jewish character building in terms of knowledge of our heritage, our history, our religious and human values and commitments as taught by our Torah, our prophets, the Talmud and our great teachers, such as Maimonides.

**I wish I felt as sanguine as The CJN about the Jewish literary and value judgment of all our leadership. Some of them have their priorities all mixed up. First and foremost ought to be the education of their and all our children in the light of the challenge which we, as a faith and as a people, face today.**

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Let me quote from the introduction to an excellent book by Dr. Eliezer Berkovitz — Crisis and Faith:

"Our generation has formulated some seductively shining slogans: self-fulfilment, personal freedom, liberation from the taboos of the past, from an absolute law, the new morality and situation ethics, etc., etc. They all sound extremely progressive. And who among us — and especially among us Jews living in the 20th century — would not like to be known as a liberal.

"Thus, instead of setting an example for our youth, we thought that there was no safer path to the future and to a happy life, free of hangups, than to let our children lead us.

"For some time now, a change has been afoot, imperceptibly, gradually. A growing number of Jews are no longer as confident as they used to be that we are really progressing, that we are moving toward some glorious future, indeed toward a future of any kind. Many among the most liberal-minded Jews are no longer as comfortable with the slogans of this new age as they used to be.

"We have started feeling ill at ease. We have become rather doubtful whether our former expectations will ever come true. We hardly know what to expect for the future of American Jewry and the future of Judaism in America. We are perturbed by the increasing divorce rate, by the erosion of the quality of Jewish family life, and by the high percentage of intermarriage. Some of our best young people are drifting into alien worlds and alien lives. An inordinately high number of them have been involved in the so-called drug culture. They seem to have been an easy prey for every fad in vogue.

"Many others are just drifting aimlessly, living without a purpose. We sense that something is wrong somewhere. A system which promised human progress seems to have rendered only disintegration and loss of substance.

"Survival may be threatened from without, by outside enemies — and G-d knows Jews the world over have enough of those — but, even more by the enemy within, by the disintegration of Jewish identity. When identity is caught up in a process of erosion, there can be no hope for survival.

"Of course, whereas in the past survival has been a uniquely Jewish problem, today it seems to have deepened into a universal concern. When properly understood, the reason for it is neither political nor material, but spiritual. The most striking feature of our times is the spiritual exhaustion of Western civilization. The problem of Jewish identity and the erosion of Jewish values result partly from the crisis of Western civilization, of which modern Jewry has been an intimate part and in whose disintegration they now share."

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**Dr. Hertzberg said a mouthful and a re-run of his talk should be listened to by many Jewish parents and all our community leaders.**

**Kurt Rothschild**
**Toronto**

### Children's Aid

Congratulations to the Jewish Family & Children's Service on its new status as a children's aid society, and y'ashar koach to MPP David Rotenberg for introducing the legislation for it. But the biggest credit should go to The Canadian Jewish News, which on Sept. 1, 1978, featured the Page One headline: "Foster children adoption policy sparks criticism."

Please allow me to quote from Sheldon Kirshner's article, which also mentioned my efforts:

"Simons, who has worked in Toronto's Bloorview Crippled Children's Hospital and Thistletown Regional Centre, said JF&CS is legally a family service association rather than a children's aid society. As such, children's aid societies have ultimate legal jurisdictions over the fate of Jewish foster children.

"Except for voluntary placements," he continued, "JF&CS has no legal clout to establish wardship over foster children. And, furthermore, JF&CS can't make legal representations for foster children in courts.

"JF&CS's foster care budget is not funded by the Jewish community but by such provincial and non-sectarian groups as the United Way and children's aid societies. As a result, in Simons' opinion, JF&CS has been unable to be what he called 'assertive' with children's aid societies taking care of Jewish foster children."

This was real news to most Toronto Jews. The ensuing dialogue and debate, in and off the pages of CJN, is what really created the impetus for the new legislation.

Much continued success and courageous reporting.

**Rabbi Reuven Simons**
**New York**

# Organizations and People

## What's New

During Tu B'Shvat celebrations at the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto [CHAT], following a talk by Rabbi Irwin E. Witty, Board of Jewish Education, who spoke on the significance of the Jewish National Fund, a Jerusalem flag was presented to Lewis Dubrofsky [left], president of the Student Council, by Lewis J. E. Moses, a vice-president of Toronto JNF. This symbolizes CHAT support of Keren Kayemeth [JNF].

**B'NAI B'RITH MEETS BLUE JAYS**

Forestdale Heights Lodge, Toronto B'nai B'rith, will court spring when its members welcome Blue Jay baseball players **Rick Bosetti, John Mayberry, Paul Hodgson, Jackson Todd, Bobby Mattick,** and **Tom Cheek**, to their annual family breakfast, Sunday, Feb. 1, at 9.30 a.m. The lodge, which truly believes in the B'nai B'rith motto, "People helping people," raises money for various hospitals, handicapped children, nursing homes and other endeavors.

**CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL**

All adults must be accompanied by a child to attend the indoor "Children's Carnival 81" sponsored by Pioneer Women — Na'amat, Sunday, Feb. 8, from 11 a.m. to 4.30 p.m., in Thornhill Community Centre, 7755 Bayview Ave. at John St. Ample free parking is available. It's a fun fest with fish ponds, food, clowns, balloons, games and movies. There are prizes, gifts and fun for kids of all ages.

Admission is 75c. For more information please call 889-8358.

**CANADIAN FRIENDS OF HAIFA U**

"Can There be Peace Between Israel and Palestinian Arabs?" This is the question **Dan Schueftan** asks and attempts to answer when he gives a public lecture under the auspices of Canadian Friends of Haifa University at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, Tuesday, Feb. 3, at 8 p.m. Schueftan, who is with the department of political science, University of Haifa, is considered one of the most respected analysts of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

**FOR SINGLES**

A Sweethearts Dance has been planned by Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Young Adults (19-26), for Saturday, Feb. 7, at 9 p.m., in the synagogue, 100 Elder St. Admission is $2 and there will be a cash bar. ID is required. To inquire further, contact **Steven**, 633-4155.

Don't hibernate! Join in the February Fun for Singles, a winter sports weekend arranged by Jewish Camp Council for Friday, Feb. 20 to Sunday, Feb. 22, at Maple Lake resort and conference centre, near Parry Sound. First class accommodation is provided, and there will be cross-country skiing, skating, tobogganing, and hockey, plus bridge, evening programs, and of course, excellent kosher food. Ski rentals available. For information and reservations call 924-6211.

Alternatives (ages 22-32) is scheduling its third annual weekend retreat at Maple Lake resort, Friday evening (dinner at 7), Jan. 30, through to Sunday brunch. Enjoy winter sports, good company and kosher gourmet food. Friday night features a "kumsitz," and the Saturday night program includes a movie, "The Frisco Kid," a cabaret night, and an all-night disco. Only a few spaces are left; for reservations please phone **Rachel**, 783-0175, **Michael**, 638-5593, or **Marlene**, 789-3116.

**SHALOM HEBREW**

Keren Hatarbut Institute announces that the next Shalom Hebrew TV program will be screened Monday, Feb. 2, on MTV channel 47, at 1 p.m., and will be repeated Sunday, Feb. 15, 9.30 a.m., on CITY-TV channel 79. A variety show, it will feature singer Jenny **Eisenstein** and pianist **Charles Heller**, an interview with **Yossi Roten** about Young Judaean camps in Canada, a puppet show with **Lisl Moses**, and news from Israel presented by **Mina Ron and Joseph Klinger**. Hostess is **Malka Klein**.

**TECHNION FILM AVAILABLE**

The Canadian Technion Society — Israel Institute of Technology, advises that the university's current film on medicine in Israel, "The Frontiers of Healing," is available for viewing in the Toronto area. Interested groups or individuals should contact the Canadian Technion Society, 2828 Bathurst St., Suite 502, Toronto, M6B 3A7, phone: 789-4545.

**IN THE SYNAGOGUES**

At Shaarei Shomayim's Sunday morning Brotherhood Breakfast, Feb. 1, **Prof. Noah Meltz**, department of economics, University of Toronto, considers the question, "Does Israel Have Any Economic Importance for Canada?" and on Feb. 8, **Rabbi Henry Hoschander** addresses a pertinent concern, "Reagan — Is he Good for the Jews?" Services commence at 9 a.m. with breakfast following, and lectures at 10 o'clock.

For erev Shabbat, Friday, Jan. 30, 8.25 p.m., **Rabbi Harvey Fields**, speaking from the pulpit of Holy Blossom Temple, will discuss "Reforming and Renewing Zionism." He will take a critical look at the movement, its purpose and destiny.

Holy Blossom's Sunday Breakfast Club which meets for the service at 9 a.m. with breakfast after, will hear **Max Goody** talk on the "Philosophy of Jewish Survival," Feb. 1.

As part of the study-in-depth winter series scheduled by Holy Blossom Sisterhood, Rabbi Fields will ponder, "The PLO and Palestinians: Can a Settlement be Reached?" on Monday, Feb. 2, 9.45 a.m.

And, Sunday morning, Feb. 8, the Young Congregants of Holy Blossom will participate in a program, "Juggling our Many Hats," when **Elaine Newton** of York University, and **Gordon Wolfe**, executive director of Huntley Youth Services, share their perceptions of the complex world in which we live. Workshop discussions follow, and **Rabbi Mark Dov Shapiro** will offer his perspective. Registration is at 9.15, breakfast at 9.30, and program at 10.

Beth El Synagogue, 186 Morrison Rd., Oakville, is organizing two special events for 8 to 11-year-olds: "Let's Make a Steal," Sunday, Feb. 1, when everyone must have a costume and bring along a bag of odds and ends, and an old-fashioned sleigh ride, Sunday, Feb. 15. Both programs are from 12.30-2.30 p.m. For more details please call 842-1372, or 845-0837.

At a congregational Shabbat dinner on Fri., Feb. 6, under auspices of Beth Tzedec Sisterhood and Men's Club, synagogue executive vice-president **Jack Orenstein** will be honored for 25 years devoted service. On behalf of the sponsoring organizations, Sisterhood president **Marylyn Light**, and Men's Club president **George Glass**, will present a plaque to Mr. Orenstein. Service is at 5.25 p.m., dinner at 6.30, and a special program follows. For reservations please call 781-3511.

Noted scholar **Harold Fisch**, of Israel's Bar-Ilan University, will give two lectures at Beth Tzedec Synagogue on Sunday, Feb. 8. A member in 1977 of the Israel delegation to the 32nd General Assembly of the United Nations, Dr. Fisch is also a prolific writer. His talk to the Men's Club at 10 a.m., Sunday morning, will be based on his recent book, "The Zionist," a controversial critique of the modern movement. During an evening session at 8.30, he will examine aspects of Jewish morality from the Biblical and modern point of view in a presentation, "The Broken Tablets." These lectures are open to the public and there is no charge.

**ABOUT CAESAREAN BIRTHS**

There is a popular impression here that once a woman has had a child by Caesarean section, it is inevitable that she must have such surgery for succeeding births. Not so, says La Leche League of Willowdale, which is sponsoring an all-day workshop on vaginal birth after Caesarean, with childbirth educator, **Nancy Wainer Cohen**, Sunday, March 22. Early registration is advised since this unique class will be limited to 20 couples on a first come, first served, basis. For further information contact **Jeanette Meister**, 225-4858, or **Elaine Adams**, 663-8003.

**HEAVENLY PARTIES**

Party Nights every Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. are in "Heaven," 90 Bloor St. E., adjacent to Hotel Plaza II. Dress casually, beautifully — no jeans. Disco dancing for everyone 19 years and over. Admission is $4 per person.

**INCOME TAX AT YORK**

York University's Centre for Continuing Education will offer Income Tax Law as the next 3-night mini series of lectures in its Law and You program, Feb. 4, 11 and 18. Associate Professor **Neil Brooks**, Osgoode Hall School, will discuss the basic principles of personal and corporate income taxation, reason for inclusion and exclusion of specific income and gains, and the determination of deductible and non-deductible expense.

For further information and registration, contact York University, Centre for Continuing Education, 4700 Keele St., Downsview, M3J 2R6, or phone 667-2502.

**FAMILY WEEKEND**

Summer weekends are the norm, but the Family Getaway planned by Jewish Camp Council for Friday, Feb. 27 to Sunday, March 1, at Maple Lake resort and conference centre in the Parry Sound area, offers an opportunity to enjoy this time of year. Fine accommodation, winter sports, bridge, indoor programs, and tasty kosher food will all contribute to your pleasure. Call 924-6211 for information and reservations. Special family rates are offered.

**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO LECTURE**

The Schwartz lectures committee, University of Toronto, is sponsoring a lecture by **Prof. Edward Sanders**, of McMaster University's department of religious studies, on "St. Paul and Rabbinic Judaism." Prof. Sanders is director of a 5-year research project at McMaster on Judaism and Christianity. The purpose is to study the early centuries of the Common Era.

The lecture will take place Sunday, Feb. 8, at 8 p.m., in the Croft Chapter House, University College, on the University of Toronto campus.

**MELAVA MALKA**

The Parents' Advisory Committee of Bnei Akiva hosts a musical Melava Malka, Saturday, Feb. 7, at 8.30 p.m., in Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue, 3600 Bathurst St. The public is welcome. To reserve please call 630-7575 during business hours.

**KING DAVID ON CBC STEREO**

The story of David, the shepherd boy who became king and the most idealized hero of Israel's history, still provokes the imagination. On Sunday, Feb. 1, CBC Stereo's Celebration presents the dramatic feature, King David, with cantorial interpolations. Broadcast time is 10.05 p.m. for the program which was recorded at Holy Blossom Temple. **Harry Mannis** will narrate. The two contors will be **Benjamin Maissner** of Holy Blossom, and **David Bagley** of Beth Sholom. Hosts are **Warren Davis** and **Bronwyn Drainie**. Executive producer is **John Reeves**.

**NORTH-EAST COMMUNITY CENTRE**

An elementary baby sitter's course for children 10-12 years old, who might be left alone or with younger brothers and sisters, is offered by the North-East Jewish Community Centre. The program commences Wednesday, Feb. 4, from 4.15-5.15 p.m., at the JCC Valley, and runs for five weeks.

There is still limited space on the ski trip to Devil's Elbow, Sunday, Feb. 1, and to Moonstone on Sunday, Feb. 22.

For information on both programs call 493-8866.

**MIAMI BEACH PARTY**

No, we can't transport you south, but a Miami Beach party is planned for Jewish students and young adults, Saturday, Jan. 31, 8 p.m., at the Hotel Plaza II in Stage 2 night club, 90 Bloor St. E. For more details please call 862-9060 (24-hour number).

**CANADA WORLD YOUTH**

CWY, a private non-profit organization, offers young Canadians of all denominations, ages 17-20, the opportunity to learn about development through voluntary work projects in Canadian communities and in developing nations. The 7-month exchange program aims at helping these young people, along with their counterparts from other lands, to explore their role in today's world.

All costs during the program — food, lodging and transportation — are covered by CWY, and some pocket money is provided.

The first program starts in July, and the second in September. Deadline for receipt of applications for both, is March 13. Application forms and more information can be obtained at Canada Employment Centres, schools, and CWY regional offices.

**JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTRE**

The Continuing Series, Human Affairs Department, Topics Unlimited, of the JCC presents **Lisa Bevelander**, Monday, Feb. 2, 12.30 p.m., at 4588 Bathurst St., who will explain ways of motivating children to eat properly in her talk, "Beyond Peanut Butter." This is a free program, open to everyone. For further information call **Georgina Nash**, 636-1880, ext. 33.

An exciting outdoor and indoor winter experience, Igloos and Ice Cream, for pre-schoolers up to five years and parents, has been planned by **Orian Feldman**, group services department, northern branch, JCC, for Wednesday, Feb. 11, from 9.30 to 11 a.m. Tickets are available at the JCC, 4588 Bathurst St. Cost for members is: adults and children, $1.50 each; for non-members, adults, $2, children, $1.50. Call Orian, 636-1880, for more details.

**MIDDLE EAST SYMPOSIUM IN OTTAWA**

What promises to be a controversial event takes place when Students for Peace in the Middle East, a committee of the Jewish Students Union, schedules a symposium on Middle East Perspectives, Sunday, Feb. 1, at 1 p.m., in the Architectural Pit at Carleton University, Ottawa. High profile speakers will offer their perceptions on the Middle East conflict.

The speaker is **Dr. Heskel Hadad**, an Iraqi Jew who is an authority on conditions of Arab Jewry, and there will also be a representative from the American Lebanese League.

There will be a "Peace Panel," which includes Professors **John Sigler** and **Conrad Winn**, Carleton University, and Prof. **Gabriel Ben-Dor**, visiting professor from Haifa University. Questions will follow.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Driftwood Community Centre, in co-operation with North York Parks and Recreation, requires mature teen and adult vounteers in the Jane-Finch area. If you are interested in sports — coaches, managers and referees are needed one evening weekly to "adopt" a team of 11-14 year-old co-eds.

A program for disabled children 3-16, offers adaptive sports and crafts on Saturday mornings, and volunteers sensitive to children with special needs are requested as leader assistants.

Adults with an interest in woodworking or electrical repair are also required to assist young teens learn new skills.

If you can help, please call the North York Volunteer Centre, 481-6194.

**ARTS EVENTS**

Armour Heights Lodge, B'nai B'rith, is sponsoring an art auction on Saturday, Jan. 31, at Earl Bales Park Community Centre, Bathurst St. south of Sheppard Ave. Preview is between 7 and 8 p.m., on the night of the auction. Auction starts at 8 p.m. There will be a draw for a door prize, and refreshments will be served. Tickets available at the door. Cost is $3 per person.

Upcoming concerts in the Noon Hour and Twilight Series sponsored by the Royal Conservatory of Music take place in the Concert Hall, 273 Bloor St. W., and admission is free. At the noon hour concert, Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 12.15 sharp, **Carolyn Jones**, pianist, will play Variations in F minor (Haydn) and Sonata No. 2 in D minor, Op. 14 (Prokofieff). The twilight concert, Tursday, Feb. 5, at 5.15 p.m., features clarinetist **Paul Grice**, assisted by **Gerald Robinson**, bassoon, and **Andrew Markow**, piano. For further information please call 978-3771.

**SENIORS**

New Horizons grants totaling $113,220 have been awarded to 12 groups of retired people from the Metropolitan area. Among recipients is the Jewish Community Singers Choir, which has been given $17,074, to establish a seniors' choir.

It's a timely coup for Beth Tzedec Friendship Club +50, who will be showing slides of artist Vincent Van Gogh — The Birth of Cloisonism, at the next meeting, Tuesday, Feb. 3, at 1.15 p.m. Program chairman is **Ruth Krieger**. The Art Gallery of Ontario holds a major international exhibition of Van Gogh's works from Jan. 24 to March 22.

The North-East Jewish Seniors Club features "Human Rights in Canada Today," a talk by **S. Alan Shefman**, League for Human Rights, B'nai B'rith, on Monday, Feb. 23, at 2.30 p.m., in Hillcrest Public Library, 5801 Leslie St. For more information, call **Phyllis Verbin**, 493-8866.

Shaarei Shomayim Seniors Friendship Club invites you to a pleasant afternoon at 1 p.m., Monday, Feb. 2, when pianist **Hazel Goldenberg** will play and sing your favorite tunes. Refreshments will be served, and everyone is welcome at the synagogue, Glencairn Ave., just east of Bathurst St.

The program, "From Opera to Musicals" continues each week in the Common Room of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer. On Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 4, at 3 p.m., **Pierre Lacasse** will give a lecture and musical illustrations on operettas by Offenbach and Kalman.

And, at the Wagman Centre, "Know Your Body," is presented each Monday at 3.30 p.m., in the Beatrice and Max Wolfe Board Room. This series concludes on Feb. 16.

**BRANSON HOSPITAL TV**

North York Branson Hospital's public service TV program entitled "555" continues on Willowdowns TV channel 10. The show is on every Wednesday evening at 7 and Friday evenings at 6.30. The next two programs are Jan. 28, "Your Medical Questions" (a phone-in question and answer segment) with panel members **Dr. J. Genesove, Dr. F. Johnston,** and **Dr. H. Bloom, and on Feb. 4,** "Arthritis and Related Diseases," with guest **Dr. J. Yuddin**. Hostess is **Sandra Ross**.

**WRITERS, DIRECTORS WANTED**

CBC Radio is looking for accomplished Canadian writers and experienced producer/directors to take part in a 3-week professional radio drama training course from April 26 to May 16.

Radio Drama head **Susan Rubes** deplores the fact that too little talent has been reflected in recent years on radio. This is why the CBC will sponsor the training course for selected writers and producer/directors, assuming all expenses.

Those interested must apply, giving full details of their activities, before March 1. For further information contact **Lorna Rogers**, Radio Network Promotion, CBC Toronto, 925-3311, ext. 4862.

**AXWORTHY TO SPEAK**

**Lloyd Axworthy**, minister of employment and immigration, and minister of state (status of women) will be speaking at the Sheraton Centre, 123 Queen St. W., at 9 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 31, in the Grand Ballroom East, on "Canadian Immigration and Policy Procedures." Immediately after his talk, discussion groups led by Members of Parliament and community heads, will form to consider such matters as The Application Process for Permanent Status, Immigration and the Labor Market, Refugees, and Settlement of Immigrants.

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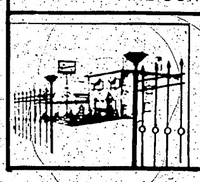

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# Organizations and People

## About People

**WRITES FINANCIAL GUIDE**

Beth Tzedec Congregation's treasurer, **Steven Kelman**, is a man with specific expertise. Investment editor of Financial Times, a weekly financial newspaper, Kelman has written "The Financial Times 1981 Guide to RRSPs," to explain to the layman how to choose the right plan for retirement. Mr. Kelman, one of the few journalists in Canada registered as a chartered financial analyst, has drawn on his extensive experience to write this practical guide to help the consumer avoid common pitfalls.

Steven Kelman

**SOLDIER WINS SCIENCE PRIZE**

A research study clarifying how lymphocytes (which protect the body against foreign invaders in the blood) attack cancer cells, has won 18 year old **Siman-Tov** of Ramle, now a soldier in the Israeli army, first prize in the 1980 Weizmann Institute Science Fair. Held annually, these science fairs are designed to encourage junior and senior high school pupils to undertake independent research. Guidance is provided by experts in the field being studied.

**TWO APPOINTMENTS FOR SHECTER**

Toronto's **Max H. Shecter** has been appointed a member of the Ontario Highway Transport Board, effective immediately and continuing to Feb. 28, 1983. The announcement was made by Ontario Premier **William Davis**. And, **Jack J. Spitzer**, president of B'nai B'rith International, has informed us of the appointment of Mr. Shecter to the International Council of B'nai B'rith.

Max Shecter is a member of the national executive, Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, and the Canadian Jewish Congress. He has been active in many Jewish and cultural organizations, particularly those concerned with Jews in the Soviet Union. He is past president of District 22, B'nai B'rith, and an immediate past chairman of the International Council of B'nai B'rith.

**JUNO NOMINATIONS**

**Sharon, Lois and Bram**, who record under the Elephant label, have been nominated for a 1981 Juno Award for their third children's album, "Singing 'n Swinging." Released in the fall, it has already sold nearly 50,000 copies.

And **The Travellers**, "Canada's Ambassadors of Song," have been nominated for "Merry-Go-Round," their 15th album.

Presentations to winners will be on Feb. 5 at O'Keefe Centre, Toronto.

**MUNI EVERS RE-ELECTED**

Pharmacist **Muni Evers**, 64, has been elected to his seventh two-year term as mayor of New Westminster, a suburb of Vancouver. He was born in Winnipeg where his late father, **Myer Averbach**, was executive director of Canadian Jewish Congress Western Region and also a member of the Winnipeg school board.

**MONTREAL WOMAN HONORED**

**Rose Itman**, Centennial chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, received honorable mention in the Colonel Elliott A. Niles Award competition for volunteer of the year from among BB women all over North America. Her efforts in the Montreal community include packaging and delivering Passover baskets, assisting the elderly and infirm in getting out, and in work with residents of the Sahar Nursing Home and Shawbridge Centre.

**SID BRAIL JOINS JWB SEMINAR**

**Sid L. Brail**, executive director, Jewish Community Centre, Toronto, will participate with other leading Jewish communal professionals from across North America when they hone their management skills at the 1981 Jewish Welfare Board-sponsored Metropolitan City Centre executive seminar, Feb. 15-19, in Carlsbad, Calif.

**MILITARY SURGEON**

It has been learned from Windsor that **Dr. George I. Bernstein** was recently elected to membership in the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States. He is also a member of the Association of Military Surgeons for Emergency Service in Israel.

**PUBLISHES FOURTH MYSTERY**

Toronto-based **Joseph Mark Glazner's** newest paperback, "Big Apple Money is Rotten to the Core," the fourth in the best selling "Billy Nevers" series, is currently on the bookstands.

## BB AWARD FOR PAULINE MCGIBBON

**Pauline McGibbon, the first Canadian woman to receive the Canadian B'nai B'rith Humanitarian Award, is shown as she accepted the honor at a dinner dance attended by 350 corporate and community leaders in Toronto's Harbour Castle Hilton Hotel. Shown in photo from left to right are: Frank Dimant, Mark Charendoff, Ted Greenfield, Fred Winegust, Pauline McGibbon, former Ontario Lieutenant-Governor, Lisa Wiseman, and Doanld H. Hartford, chairman of the dinner and president, Standard Broadcasting Corporation, Ltd.**

Louise Cornblum

David Kosoy

## *Campaign leaders named*

**TORONTO** — David Allen Kosoy has been named general campaign chairman for Toronto of the State of Israel Bond Organization. Louise Cornblum will be Womens Division chairman.

At 36, Kosoy will be Toronto's youngest ever Israel Bond chairman. He's been active in Israel Bond programs in many respects: founding chairman of Toronto New Leadership, international New Leadership chairman and associate campaign chairman for 1979-80.

Kosoy obtained his LLB from Osgoode Law School in 1971 and formed the firm of Kosoy and Gordin in 1977. He is also involved in real estate investments and development.

The newly appointed Women's Division chairman, Louise Cornblum, is a staunch supporter of Israel dating back to her childhood. She, too, has been on the Israel Bond executive for several years in different capacities. She has served as special events chairman and as speakers bureau chairman. Cornblum was also Pioneer Women's first Israel Bond honoree in 1977.

Cornblum has traveled around the globe three times and has visited Israel 18 times to keep up with current events and developments. Her films and commentary of these travels include interviews with such leaders as David Ben-Gurion, Shimon Peres, Chaim Herzog and Yosef Burg, all of which have been aired on television.

Cornblum was a freelance writer for The Canadian Jewish News and has had her work published in several U.S. magazines.


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## Organizations and People

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Roz Halbert has started a business to look after annoying details.

# *Roz Halbert's service looks after the details*

By NINA WOLPERT

TORONTO —

There are times for some of us when endless lists seem intent on hindering rather than helping us to enjoy our lives.

And then there are those who live as if the word "organization" is part of their chromosomal makeup.

One of these people is the supremely capable Roz Halbert.

"Others have described me as a person with impeccable taste who gets the job done," says Halbert.

The job in this case is owning and originating Single-Handed Inc. (416) 445-4622.

"This is a service that will look after all your running around needs when relocating, whether it be to a home of to an office," she says.

Halbert's clients are individuals as well as corporations. Fees are charged on an hourly basis.

"I pack as much into that hour as I can," she says, "looking after the nitty-gritty of moving, right down to the screwdriver in the kitchen drawer, and waiting for deliveries."

True to form, Halbert's approach to her enterprise was just as streamlined as the service itself.

"I took very deliberate steps to avoid the 'empty-nest' syndrome," she says. (Halbert's three children are now independent.)

"I am a very lucky lady in that I loved what I was groomed to do, but my first career was on their way out the door," she says.

So Halbert reevaluated her B.A. from the University of Toronto plus her talents at running a household in terms of marketable skills. In addition, discussions with successful people in a variety of fields led Halbert to develop her concept.

"I knew what I didn't want to do, but finding something that was just right was both difficult and exciting," says Halbert.

As well, her years of community involvement (now including organizing an international conference) together with husband Ralph, left her with a network of contacts.

"I know where to go and whom to be in touch with. In this respect, I have the most complete relocating service in Toronto," she says.

Indeed, Halbert has been asked to franchise her venture.

"But I don't want to become an administrator. As it stands now, I have very little overhead, an office, and a small dependable staff."

Success in Halbert's case has also arrived in non-material ways.

"My daughter asked my help for a school project on beginning one's own business. I was also asked to speak on mid-life to a high school class," she says.

"I told them there is something exciting about every stage in your life. I'd be devasted if it turns out not to be true," says Halbert.

# Bereaved parents' association softens blow of child's death

By ANDREA PARKER

TORONTO —

**"And the king was much moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept: and as he went, thus he said, O my son Absolom, my son, my son Absolom! Would God I had died for thee, O Absolom, my son, my son!" [II Samuel 18:33].**

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A child's death can produce feelings of anger, guilt, hostility and helplessness and Bereaved Families of Ontario aims to help families bring these emotions into the open, put them into perspective, and helps them start to rebuild their lives.

Margaret Darte, a bereaved parent, group leader, and in charge of public relations and education for the association, said that ultimately people must find their own solutions but "we support them," through group meetings with other bereaved families, drop-in lunches and family nights.

This non-denominational association was organized in September, 1977, by Rev. John McKibbon, a chaplain at the Hospital for Sick Children and a bereaved parent. Others have since joined by reading about the organization in newspapers or through referrals by doctors. The mandate for this mutual self-help organization "is to help families deal with the normal grief which follows the death of a child."

**Bereaved Families is supported by a multi-discipline professional advisory board and works in co-operation with community groups and the Ontario ministry health, which currently provides funding.**

Darte said the association "started very slowly — we had to have some idea about what we were doing.

"Goodwill alone is not enough. You must have knowledge about what grief does to you and about family and group dynamics."

There are currently five groups meeting, for 12-week group sessions, guided by nine leaders. The sessions start with the illness and death of the child and progress from there, and Darte said it is hoped that as parents gain an insight into their problems, they will be able to help their other children cope with the death of a sibling.

A group for teenagers and another one for fathers will start soon.

If a serious problem arises, the group leader discusses the situation with a supervisor, who can advise the bereaved to meet with a marriage counsellor or a psychiatrist, if necessary.

**Darte stated that after the death of a child, there is frequently a strain between a husband and wife. "Although society expects them to support each other, it doesn't always happen." Very often, children can also suffer, since it is scary to see their parents so totally disoriented.**

Besides further problems in the family arising after death of a child, Darte said that some mourners face a struggle with their faith. It is normal to be angry after a death, but when the bereaved is angry at God, that is another source of heartache. Darte acknowledged that there can be an estrangement from God even if there is no anger, but as time goes by, many of the people do turn to their faith again.

**And then there are those who seek for meaning in the death of a child, Darte said. One of the results of that desire is to help those who are going through the same experience.**

For friends and relatives of people whose child has just died, Darte pointed to the importance of the "ministry of presence," or, in other words, just being there and realizing that the death of a child has a very long lasting effect. "The family needs ongoing, steady, loving friendship."

There are death-denying aspects in North American society, where the emphasis is to enjoy life and the material aspects. Darte said there is an outpouring at funerals, but then acquaintances want the bereaved "to get better in a hurry." However, there are some people "who don't get into their grief for a year or more."

When visiting parents, Darte advises people to allow the bereaved to talk "and to resist the temptation to use pious platitudes or unwanted advice."

**The Bereaved Families of Ontario is located at 214 Merton St., Suite 305, Toronto, M4S 1A6. The telephone number is (416) 481-3389.**

# Wiesel attacks UN

STOCKHOLM (JCNS) —

"I feel that the United Nations has become the most violent forum for anti-semitism today," said U.S. author, Elie Wiesel, in a meeting here on anti-semitism.

"In the UN, Israel is being attacked day after day by 140 members," Wiesel continued. "Among them are the most corrupt regimes in the world and they have the chutzpah to teach us lessons in morality."

Simon Wiesenthal also spoke at the meeting and reported that his documentation centre in Vienna often receives anti-Jewish and anti-Israeli leaflets from rightwing and leftwing groups.

"But I can't tell what comes from the Right and what comes from the Left," said Wiesenthal.

"That is our problem . . . an organization like the PLO has very good contacts with the extreme Right and the extreme Left.

Wiesenthal also commented on the Jews in the U.S by saying that they think that their money or, at the moment, their political influence can save them. "But the European rightwing groups and neo-Nazis could not exist without the support of printed propaganda from the United States," said Wiesenthal.

Israeli Knesset member and Eichmann-prosecutor, Gideon Hausner, also attacked the United Nations' resolution condemning Zionism as a form of racism: "If the world can tolerate this, then it is a very alarming situation," stressed Hausner.


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# Beth Tzedec hosts scholar, Feb. 21-22

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Rabbi Gershon Winer, author, linguist and Hebraic scholar, will present a series of five lectures at Beth Tzedec Synagogue the weekend of Feb. 21-22.

Rabbi Winer, the former city manager of Dimona, Israel, member of the Hebrew Language Academy and currently an adjunct professor with Brandeis University's Israel study program, is the author of "The Founding Fathers," a study of the pioneers who built the Jewish state.

A journalist whose articles on Israel's ideological problems frequently appear in both the Hebrew and English press, Rabbi Winer will take the opportunity of his Beth Tzedec visit to discuss a variety of issues that currently are stirring controversy in Israel.

In addition to a Saturday morning sermon, Rabbi Winer will use the occasion of a study kiddush luncheon (for which prepaid reservations are necessary — call 781-3511) to speak about "For Better or Otherwise . . . My Ten Years in Israel."

Rabbi Winer will also deliver two other lectures on Saturday, at 4 p.m., on "The Golen Calf," and at 8.30 p.m. on controversial Yiddish novelist Sholom Asch, the latter given in Yiddish.

Rabbi Winer's final lecture, co-sponsored by the Beth Tzedec Men's Club, is entitled "Zionist Utopias." The presentation will focus on the Zionist dreams of the past three centuries and the contrast between the dream and the reality of Israel. The lecture begins at 10 a.m. on Sunday.


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FEBRUARY 21 – SHABBAT STUDY LUNCHEON. RABBI GERSHON WINER, author, linguist and Hebraic scholar, is presenting a weekend series of lectures at Beth Tzedec. His topic for the luncheon is "FOR BETTER OR OTHERWISE: MY TEN YEARS IN ISRAEL". Adults $3.50, children under 12, $1.50. Separate programs for young children available while parents enjoy the lecture. Reservations before Wednesday, February 18, 781-3511. Watch next week's paper for full details of the weekend program.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 9:30 A.M. – BETH TZEDEC SISTERHOOD presents, BOOK OF THE BRUNCH. Helen Epstein's book, "CHILDREN OF THE HOLOCAUST" will be reviewed by HELEN REDNER. $1.50 seniors: $2 Sisterhood members; $2.50 non-members. Everyone welcome.

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# Organizations and People

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## Catholic woman worked on kibbutz

# She eventually plans to return to Israel

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

Early last year, alone and more than a little apprehensive, Sandra Jack of Grimsby, Ont., arrived in Israel.

**With a strict Catholic upbringing, the 20-year old, like most young North Americans, knew little of Jews and Israel and grew up "with all the usual prejudices . . . and all those things pumped into us as kids."**

She was "like a horse with blinkers on," as she puts it.

Today, Israel couldn't ask for a more enthusiastic ambassador and Sandra can't wait to go back.

Recently returned after nine months on kibbutz Kfar Blum, the intended year cut short by a brother's wedding, she turned up at the Hamilton Jewish Federation offices, anxious to tell of her experiences.

"I have taken so much from that country," she explains, "now I want to give something back!"

After a year of studying outdoor recreation at a Vancouver college, Sandra decided to spend a year abroad and picked Israel "because I wanted to learn something about a totally different culture."

"The concept of a kibbutz" intrigued her and also, at the back of her mind, was the memory of a film about the Holocaust shown by her grade 11 current events teacher.

At the Y in Israel, two non-Jewish Canadian girls she met recommended Kfar Blum and after working briefly in the dining room and the guest house, Sandra was given the job of lifeguard at the kibbutz pool.

It was tough in those first few months and more than once, confesses Sandra, she wondered what excuses she could find for packing up and going home. She missed her close-knit family, and she was homesick.

But gradually she made friends among the other volunteers and with her new adoptive kibbutz family she developed "a bond as close as with my own brothers and sister." She went to shul with them, fasted on Yom Kippur, and when a son was born, shared in the joy and attended the brit.

Sandra Jack contemplates her Israel experience.

**She was impressed by the calm with which residents of Kfar Blum — situated seven km. east of Kiriat Shmona, close to the Lebanese border and the Golan Heights, go about their daily chores despite the constant gun fire and shelling.**

**But "haven't they been tormented enough?" she asks about the many Holocaust survivors among them.**

She made a point of learning about the Holocaust and Jewish history and visited museums and memorials, and she joined the ulpan and studied Hebrew.

"Israel," she declares, eyes shining, "was fabulous," but what struck her most, says Sandra, was the warmth, the friendliness, "the open arms" she met everywhere.

On Kfar Blum "they're waiting for me to open the pool on May 1," but before she can return, she has to earn her fare. Yet so anxious is she to tell the world about Israel that she postponed a flight to Vancouver and a hoped-for job in order to appear on a local televison program.

Once back, Sandra intends "to stay for a while," to become fluent in Hebrew — "out of respect if I'm living and working there" — and to help in whatever way she can.

And she hopes that her parents will visit so that she can show them the country of which she has become so proud and which in turn "has made me into a patriotic Canadian."

# U.S. ending financial aid to yeshivas

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the largest individual recipient — some $120 million. The second largest has been Project Hope, which has six different land-based educational and research centres ($28 million). Robert College in Istanbul is third with $23 million. The Weizmann Institute is fourth.

Under U.S. law, AID can provide assistance to overseas schools and hospitals "founded or sponsored by United States citizens" and "serving as study and demonstration centres for ideas and practices of the United States" and as "centres for medical education and research."

As explained in the U.S. Government's Federal Register of Nov. 26, 1979, the grants are made to "help such institutions demonstrate to people overseas the achievements of the United States in education and medicine. . . . Institutions are expected to reflect favorably upon and to increase understanding of the United States."

But the preponderance of Israeli institutions included in the program since 1967 has caused some controversy on Capitol Hill, which originally could mandate specific institutions receiving allocations. That was changed in 1974 when Congress voluntarily agreed that it would merely approve a total appropriation level, with AID subsequently determining which schools and hospitals would receive funding. The Congressional hope, according to reliable sources, was to have the direct pressure by supporters of the institutions eased on them.

AID established a panel of experts to review the applications from institutions around the world. That clearly did ease the pressure — although AID sources acknowledged that several members of Congress continued to press for funding for their various pet projects in Israel.

Neither the Israeli embassy here in Washington nor the officially-registered pro-Israel lobby in Congress, the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, has been involved in lobbying legislators to support Section 214's assistance program to Israel. The official reason is that they want to devote their energies to the much larger U.S. military and economic aid program which goes directly to the Israeli Government.

**But over the years, many Israeli officials stationed in Washington as well as other pro-Israel activists here have been embarrassed by the relatively large sums of U.S. financial grants allocated to the Orthodox schools in Israel.**

They were often bombarded with complaints from congressmen that American citizens, associated with the various yeshivot and other schools in Israel, were using "heavy-handed" pressure tactics to elicit support for the program.

Since 1967, when the first allocations were appropriated for schools and hospitals in Israel, Israel officials and other pro-Israel lobbyists here recognized that the entire program might seriously damage Israel's image in Congress. Many congressmen resented the pressure.

**But successive Israeli ambassadors here in Washington were instructed by Jerusalem not to interfere. Several sources suggested that the National Religious Party, a member of every Israeli coalition government since 1967, made certain that the Embassy stayed on the sidelines.**

That has left the lobbying for the program to various individuals affiliated with the institutions. Robert Nathan and Associates, a respected consulting firm in Washington, has represented Hadassah in its dealings with the government. David Ginsburg, a prominent Washington attorney, has worked for the Weizmann Institute.

Many of the smaller religious institutions in Israel have been supported by Zev Wolfson, an Orthodox New York City businessman with close ties to leading Israeli politicians in the religious parties, the Likud and the Labor Alignment. Congressional sources said that he was largely responsible over the years for convincing key members to support the legislation.

**But now most of those religious institutions have been dropped. In the current 1980 fiscal year, for example, 14 Israeli institutions applied for funding. Only four were accepted — Weizmann, Hadassah, Shaare Zedek and the Or Hachayim Girls College in B'nai Barak.**

## *Biggest party ever*

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**anticipated 8,900 to 10,000 persons.**

Celebration 33 was conceived by the film's producers Edie and Ely Landau and has been designated by the government of Israel as an official event of the 33rd anniversary celebration. Israel embassies and consulates throughout the world have been notified by their government to support Celebration 33 "in every possible way."

Meshulam Rikis, chairman of the board of Rapid-American Corporation, has made available to The Chosen Film Company the funding necessary to make the movie and to market the special event.

**More than 15 fund raising organizations that support educational organizations in Israel will be involved in the sale of the tickets. Participating Canadian organizations, in various combinations in the four cities where The Chosen will be shown are Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University, Canadian Friends of Haifa University, Canadian Associates of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Hadassah-WIZO and ORT. Local organizing committees have already been set up in each of the four cities.**


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Chatting with guest speaker Yehuda Avner (third from left), at division chairmen's appreciation night are from the left: Dr. Charles Gold, Max Handelman and Jimmy Kay.

Jimmy Kay

It was a warm, intimate and most enjoyable evening at the division chairmen's appreciation night at Oakdale Golf and Country Club last week. I won't go into details since the story in the CJN a week ago pretty well covered the event.

I would like to thank **Max** and **Ann Handelman**, who hosted the evening, on behalf of all of us who were there.

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There is a new recruiting effort to encourage UJA participation by younger people in the Construction division. Spearheaded by chairman, **Mark Friedman** along with **Al Badner**, it is hoped to have far more people involved than is currently the case.

"Despite the fact that we have a more than 25% increase in this campaign," said Mark, "too much of the work is being handled by too few."

We're happy to learn that **William Leibach** is recovering at home after a recent heart attack. Willie has been a UJA stalwart for many years and one of our most effective canvassers. So hurry up and get well, Willie, we need you!

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This past week has been one of non-stop meetings, dinners and activities.

On Monday evening the Alpha Omega dental fraternity held its annual dinner, an evening which always includes a focus on UJA, and where cards are handed in or distributed. Guest speaker was **Eugene Rothman**, Associate Professor of Religion at Carleton University and a Middle East specialist. Fraternity president is **Dr. Irwin Rose** and UJA chairman is **Dr. Alan Gans**.

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On Wednesday I had the pleasure of speaking to canvassers in the Barristers group, at the offices of **Goodman & Carr**. Chairman of this very important division is **David Nathanson**.

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And this morning, **Cindy Chazan**, director of the Koffler Centre of the Arts, addressed a board meeting of the Women's Division, at Holy Blossom Temple.

The women are into their campaign cleanup and overall reports from each division are excellent this year.

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Also last week, there was a joint telethon at 150 Beverley Street, of Young Executives and Young Adults. Under the joint chairmanship of **Dr. Harry Krakowsky** and **Ian Rosmarin**, Young Executives is once again toppling record after record. And Young Adults, with **Debra Anthony** at the helm, is also chalking up good results.

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I'm told that **Yona Gazit**, Israel's man in Ontario, gave a superb address at a Sunday breakfast meeting of the Chenstochover Society. The society's president **Philip Skovronek**, a long-time UJA supporter, looked on approvingly as **Sam Yacubowicz** went from table to table, addressing each member by name and getting pledge after pledge. New members are coming in and reactivating the society. One of them is our own Dr. Harry Krakowsky, Young Executives co-chairman, mentioned earlier.

While on the subject of the Chenstochover Society, we'd like to extend our best wishes to one of the members, **Moshe Frank**, a loyal friend and supporter of UJA over the years, for a speedy recovery from an accident he was involved in just after new year's day. He was run down by a car while on his way to synagogue.

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The Trillium Restaurant at Ontario Place was the scene of what I am told was one of the most successful fund-raising evenings to be held on behalf of UJA by students of both York University and the University of Toronto. More than 350 tickets were sold in advance and another 200 at the door. Top ticket seller was **Alan Zimmerman**, who is credited with having sold 70 to friends and fellow students.

**Eddie Resnick, Rhoda Levin** and **Michelle Fish** sold tickets at the door for hours and **Elaine Gordler** took over checking duties. Congratulations to all of you!

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A meeting geared to high school canvassers is scheduled for Sunday, February 1 at 10:30 a.m. at the Party Room at Baycrest Terrace. Anyone interested will be most welcome.

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The campaign is under way at Scarborough College. Those responsible for helping to get it off to a good start are **Jory Griesman, Helene Westreich, Jeff Mlotek, Andrea Rosen** and **Rhonda Falner**.

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**CANVASSER OF THE WEEK**

We've had so many super canvassers in this campaign, it's been a little difficult to cite individuals. But a name that keeps cropping up is **Fred Metter**, who is chairing the Jewellers group this year. I understand he's covered at least 50 cards and not content to stick to his own group, he's branching out in Major Gifts as well — with great success!

Our thanks, Fred and please, just keep on doing what you're doing!

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Jimmy Kay

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## Organizations and People

### *Many Mount Sinai firsts under his administration*

# Sidney Liswood believes in health care primacy

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By JOAN ALEXANDER

TORONTO —

"When you've got your health, you've got everything" is an axiom that Sidney Liswood has never taken for granted.

When Liswood, a native of New York, came to Toronto in 1954 to serve as chief executive officer of Mount Sinai Hospital he had a vision of the ways and means to provide superlative health care to the Metropolitan Toronto community — a vision which has resulted in Mount Sinai developing into one of the finest hospitals on the continent.

Educated in hospital administration and public health at the University of Chicago and Harvard, Liswood was working in Boston as administrator of Beth Israel Hospital when he was convinced by the late Ben Sadowski, "a giant of a man, a genius," to join Mount Sinai Hospital's staff. At that time, the New Mount Sinai at 550 University Ave. had 319 beds, employed a staff of 800, and was not affiliated with any educational institutions.

Now, in the new building next door at 600 University, the hospital has 608 beds and employs over 1,600 nursing, paramedical and support staff, plus a medical staff of some 450 physicians and is one of the principal teaching hospitals in Ontario. It opened in January of 1974.

Liswood was actively involved in the campaign to raise $10 million towards the construction of the present building and was responsible for raising more than $3 million of this amount.

Under Liswood's direction, Mount Sinai established a number of "firsts" for Metropolitan Toronto hospitals in the improvement of care for its patients, as well as in the development of joint programs which have benefited patients throughout the community.

**To promote better geriatric medical care, Mount Sinai developed a unique program by assuming responsibility for the medical care program at the Jewish Home for the Aged and the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care.**

The hospital appointed a public health nurse to provide health education for both in an out-patients.

It developed a volunteer program on an in-service basis and employed a full-time director of volunteer services.

A joint fire safety and security program was initiated with the hiring of a fire safety consultant and security director for three teaching hospitals, representing a total of more than 2,500 beds.

These are but a few of the achievements effected during the years that Liswood served the hospital as chief executive officer.

In the realm of education, Sidney Liswood's vital interest instilled enthusiasm throughout the hospital. He is himself a professor of health administration at the University of Toronto. His support and encouragement led to the affiliation of Mount Sinai Hospital with educational institutions and to its becoming a teaching hospital associated with the faculty of medicine of the University of Toronto in 1962.

Sidney Liswood

When Liswood joined the hospital in 1954, it had an intern house staff of six foreign graduates. None of the medical staff had teaching appointments. Today, the house staff numbers 30 clinical clerks, 39 interns, and 88 residents and research fellows. The medical and dental staff members holding teaching appointments in the faculties of medicine and dentistry number 272 with 155 of them of professorial rank.

It was under Sidney Liswood's leadership that the Nightingale School of Nursing first demonstrated the validity of its 2-year program. The school is connected to Mount Sinai Hospital by a tunnel and this is the major hospital in which the students receive their clinical training.

**Liswood also participated in the development of the Toronto Institute of Medical Technology. This is a regional school which trains laboratory and radiological technicians, and other paramedical personnel at registered and advanced levels of technology. The school is capable of educating and training more than 400 students a year.**

In the field of research, it was always Sidney Liswood's dream "to provide a research facility of some consequence. While the primary objective of Mount Sinai Hospital," says Liswood, "has been the provision of high quality in-patient care, it has equally recognized that this is only possible in an environment in which teaching and research are encouraged and flourish.

"A dynamic research program," asserts Liswood, the author of numerous articles on preventive medicine, "attracts the very best physicians and associated research workers to the hospital. These individuals frequently remain on staff as clinicians, thus improving the quality of patient care, education and community health programs."

In 1975, the Mount Sinai Institute was established to handle funds donated by individuals, foundations and organizations in support of hospital research. It serves the dual purpose of raising funds and providing support for various research programs. Liswood has served as president of the institute since its inception.

With characteristic foresight, Liswood established an ad hoc research and planning committee with representatives from the faculty of medicine of the University of Toronto, as well as from Mount Sinai Hospital. This committee reviewed the personnel, resources, and programs of both the hospital and the university and recommended a future direction for the hospital.

**The main thrusts in research to date are in the fields of immunology and gerontology. Amongst other things, immunology deals with the rejection phenomenon which is of vital importance in the fields of organ transplantation. Gerontology is the study of the ageing process and research is carried out in close connection with the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care.**

Liswood reports proudly that studies of hypothyroidism in newborn infants to prevent the incidence of mental retardation have been "dramatically successful." This research effort has culminated in a province-wide screening for early detection.

"The idea is," stresses Liswood, "to create an atmosphere of intellectual freedom, excellence, and an atmosphere of support for excellence. If we have only helped one family avoid the distress and the difficulties of raising a mentally retarded child, not to mention the expense to the state, then we have been successful."

Sidney Liswood is now heading a program to raise $10 million for the addition of 50,000 square feet of research space which will triple the area in the hospital now devoted to research. According to Liswood, medical research requires "more than the inspiration and the selfless devotion of the researcher.

"The institute," he maintains, "has assumed the responsibility of providing the human resources and the equipment necessary to enable the researcher to carry out his projects. We must give him nothing less than the most qualified technicians and the most up-to-date equipment.

"Good health is a precious gift that is too often appreciated only when it is taken from us," declares Liswood. "Mount Sinai Hospital's first commitment is to our patients — to spare nothing in our effort to restore that precious gift, and to apply our accumulated knowledge to that prime goal. The results of dedicated and determined research provide us with the wherewithal to meet our objectives."

In spite of his accomplishments in the fields of public health and hospital administration, Sidney Liswood is a modest man. The recipient of many awards and honors, he was most recently given honorary life membership by the Canadian College of Health Service Executives.

**"No one person," he says with deference, "ever accomplishes anything great by himself. All of this is not greatness for the sake of reputation. The fruits of this toil can only lead to more enjoyable living and the relief of needless human suffering."**

[Ross photo]

Rabbi Akiva Egozi [left] is welcomed by Yitzhak Navon.

# *Egozi meets with Navon to discuss education*

TORONTO —

Rabbi Akiva Egozi, educational director of the Associated Hebrew Schools of Toronto, recently met with Israeli President Yitzhak Navon in Israel to discuss educational directions in the Diaspora and present to Mr. Navon two books.

President Navon, himself a writer of poetry, was deeply moved by Rabbi Egozi's book of poems "Orot Baphel" ("Lights in the Darkness"), written during the Holocaust years in the camps and ghettos, and published by the Hebrew Cultural Movement.

The other book, "Drachim Vaderach B'Chinuch" (reviewed in The CJN, Sept. 4) consits of a theory and practice of Jewish education and school management.

President Navon told Egozi he was impressed with the growth of the Associated Hebrew Schools, which today, with over 2,700 students from nursery through to junior high, is the largest Jewish day school in the world.

The President was also pleased to hear of the type of education being presented at Associated, and said that "Jewish education is the security for the survival of Jewish people in the Diaspora. It creates a link between the people of Israel and the Diaspora, and should, therefore, receive top priority in all functions in the Jewish community."

In the discussion on how to build educational bridges between Israel and the Diaspora, Egozi suggested the introduction of a special course in the teachers' training program in Israel, which would deal with the Jewish community in the Diaspora, as well as the special methology in the Jewish day schools. President Navon agreed that this would be most helpful.

# Market for food products

TEL AVIV
(JNI via CZF) —

Forty northern kibbutzim agreed last week to market jointly their food products under the "Food from the Kibbutz" label.

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# Jewish identity is maintained

By MARIANNE MOLL & LEAH GLICK

YELLOWKNIFE — Founded in 1835 on the heels of the great northern gold rush, Yellowknife lies on the north shore of Great Slave Lake in the Northwest Territories, 1,000 miles north of Edmonton across unspoiled and often frigid terrain.

For Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Glick, the relative isolation of living in the far north, in a community of about 10,000 hardy souls, has not dulled their Jewish identification whatsoever. In fact, as the only permanent Jewish family in Yellowknife (they have lived there for 35 years), their lives and home have become the focal point for the mostly transient Jewish population.

**The problem of being practicing Jews in Canada's far north are many, but the Glick clan has learned to overcome them through advanced planning and a sense of communal spirit.**

Keeping kosher means importing meat and Pesach food from Edmonton and Montreal.

**Lighting Shabbat candles in the North can also be a problem, as the sun sets at 3 p.m. in the winter, and at 11 p.m. in the summer. For practical reasons, Yellowknife's small Jewish community observes the traditions following the Edmonton Jewish community's time schedules, whenever necessary.**

Mr. and Mrs. Glick came to Yellowknife from Montreal in 1945. They were one of the first Jewish families to venture so far north. Jacob (Jack) first worked for Negus (Gold) Mines as a cook. In 1946, he built and operated the Veterans Cafe. The cafe was one of the first buildings to be built in the "New Town" of Yellowknife which was situated away from the "Old Town" on Latham Island.

In 1956, the cafe was renamed the Gold Range Hotel and Cafe and was sold.

In 1946, after having been discharged from military duties, their son Harold joined them in Yellowknife. In 1947, Harold left the north for a year to study radio technology at Toronto. In 1948, he returned and started Yellowknife Radio Ltd.

Harold met his wife Zelda (Vinsky) in Edmonton and they were married in 1952.

Edmonton, located about 1,000 miles south of Yellowknife, serves as the surrogate community for the Yellowknife Jews.

Harold and Zelda set up house in Yellowknife and through the years they had four children — Murray, Jeffrey, Leah and Marilyn. Because hospital facilities were limited, Zelda flew south to give birth to their first three children and only the youngest daughter was born in the Yellowknife Stanton Hospital in 1962.

Having been in Yellowknife for so many years, the Glicks have become the extended family for the Jews who venture north.

**The Glick family. Seated, from left: Marilyn, Leah and Zelda. Standing from left: Harold, Murray and Marilyn.**

During holy days and festivals, the Glick house is "home" to at least 32 young Jewish men, women and children who live in the Northwest Territories.

Due to the lack of a synagogue and a minyan, festivals are observed in a different manner. The Yellowknife Jewish community and its visitors gather at the Glick home for the holidays. They bring the aperitifs, the salads, and the desserts for the meal, while Zelda provides the meat dishes.

The appropriate readings from the prayer books are read in both English and Hebrew. When someone is present who can read Hebrew fluently, Hebrew takes precedence.

More specifically, Rosh Hashanah is celebrated by the whole community at the Glick home. On Yom Kippur, individuals remain at their own homes, fasting and praying. During Chanukah, individual families light candles in their homes and celebrate the eighth night with a supper party at the Glick home. On Purim, hamantashen are made by Zelda and again the community gathers at the Glicks.

The Glick home is the centre for both the first seder during Pesach and for the Pesach foodstuffs. Matzoh and all the necessary food is brought in by Harold from Edmonton, and is then distributed to whomever wants to observe the holiday.

Last year, Harold received a telephone call from heldon Nider in Cambridge Bay. Sheldon's Pesach order had arrived from Edmonton without haggadot. Having heard that there was a Jewish family in Yellowknife, Sheldon called Harold to see if a Haggadah could be sent to them in time for the second night of Pesach. Sheldon received the haggadot the next day.

**Despite the lack of a formal religious institution, there is a feeling of community and togetherness in the observance of Jewish traditions, complete with debates over the meaning of the holiday and the correct pronunciation of the Hebrew.**

Usually, when the services of a rabbi are needed, the family in question travels to Edmonton. Such was the case when Harold's and Zelda's two sons were of age for their bar mitzvahs and when their eldest son Murray was to be married.

Recently, a rabbi was brought to Yellowknife for the first time when a son was born to David and Marianne Moll. Also for the first time, there was a minyan-plus in Yellowknife for the bris. Rabbi Abraham Postone of Calgary came to Yellowknife on Nov. 4 and performed the bris. The occasion was also a special event for Harold and Zelda because the rabbi had performed their marriage ceremony in 1952 as well as the bris of their two sons.

Though there are many problems in maintaining Jewish traditions in the far north, there are solutions, as shown by this Jewish community.

Yellowknife's Jewish population hovers around 25 individuals. They are made up of Israelis, Americans and Canadians who work mainly for the government. Without a rabbi, synagogue or a permanent minyan, Yellowknife's Jewish community has managed to keep Jewish tradition alive in Canada's far north.

**David and Marianne Moll hold son Nathaniel, the first baby circumcized in Yellowknife. Gilad is at left.**


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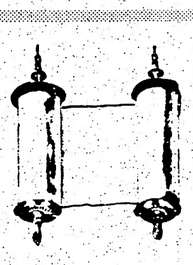

## sparks from the torah

By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

It's easy to be religious in a synagogue. The test is to see how you deal with other people outside.

The Chidushay Hareem once summoned one of his wealthy chassidim who had a poor widow living in his building. The widow could no longer afford the rent, and the owner was having her evicted.

"How can a religious Jew do such a thing!" protested the saint.

"But rabbi," answered the chassid, "why should the whole burden fall on me. The community should go around and collect for her rent."

Answered the Chidushay Hareem: "In the Talmud it's commended that if a slave is half-slave and half-free, they force the owner to free him completely. The question is — why don't they force the community to get together and pay the slave to collect enough money to buy himself free? Why does the whole burden fall on the owner? But the answer is — we say to him, 'If this man is your slave, it means that it was ordained that you should be the owner. The responsibility has been placed on you!' The same way — you are the landlord, the responsibility of this poor woman has fallen on you. . . ."

Three ways a Jew is judged — b'kiso, b'kaso, b'koso . . . how he acts with the wallet in his pocket, how he acts with his anger, and how he acts when he drinks.

Someone who thinks he's getting away with something when he steals doesn't know that G-d keeps better records than the department of revenue.

Consider . . . when someone was caught as a ganeff, a burglar who sneaked in to steal at night, he had to pay double his theft. But if a person was a gozlan, who robbed openly, he had only to return the stolen item.

**Why make it harder for a ganeff? But a Jew who robs openly, demonstrates that he has no fear of anyone, neither G-d nor man. But a ganeff! He has the chutzpah to show that he is afraid of a human being but not afraid of the Almighty — he deserves extra punishment!**

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We spend so much effort making a living — we have to spend a little on life itself. For a Jew, life is Torah and mitzvot.

Said Reb Bunim of Parshischa: Three things a Jew should learn from a ganeff: (1) A ganeff does not hesitate to go about his business in the depths of the night, even in rain and cold; (2) if a ganeff doesn't succeed the first time, he doesn't give up but tries again and again; (3) a ganeff is as serious about stealing even the smallest item as a big one. He does his thing.

A Jew has to do his thing with mitzvot. Everyone must consider himself a plain person, but meanwhile he must steal time for Torah and good deeds.

The way you act to others is the way G-d acts to you. Reb Yaakov's Berlin's wife once had a dispute with her maid about a certain article that was missing. The poor girl denied that she had taken anything, but the wife put on her coat to run to the rabbi for a din Torah. Reb Yaakov began accompanying her to the rabbi.

"It's alright," she told him. "I can speak for myself before the rabbi."

"I'm not worried about you," he answered. "But who is going to defend the poor servant girl? I will speak in her behalf."

May we always practice mercy, kindness, love, forgiveness.

Shabbat Shalom.

# *Sheila wants to rename home for the aged*

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — One of the first tasks Sheila Burman, newly appointed administrator for the Hamilton Jewish Home for the Aged — Apartment Complex has set herself is to find a shorter, more attractive name for the residence.

**But the unwieldy name reflects the changes the project has undergone in the 10 years since she first became associated with it when, as chairman of Jewish Social Services, Mrs. Burman and Michael Silverman, whom she later succeeded as JSS director, initiated the first feasibility study into what was then envisaged as a traditional old age or nursing home.**

The 40-unit apartment complex now under construction and expected to be ready for occupancy by late fall is intended to give seniors the opportunity to remain "upright," active and independent as long as possible.

The choice of Burman as administrator is a logical one. Her many years of volunteer work among the old and elderly have made her a popular figure among them "and I have always had a good rapport with them," she said recently in the attic of the 2-apartment seniors' residence — opened last fall as the first phase of the project — that serves as her temporary office.

Her concern for the elderly began while she was active in the National Council of Jewish Women, which was in the forefront of programs on ageing in Canada.

Sheila Burman

"It is a very forward-thinking organization," she explained and it was during her term as NCJW Hamilton president that seniors' groups such as the Friendship Club were formed.

"All through my life I've been involved in community work," in B'nai Akiva and Habonim in her native England, and in NCJW in Toronto and Hamilton and the Jewish Community Centre in Windsor since immigrating to Canada 24 years ago with her husband David, a professional engineer.

Most recently Burman worked for the Hamilton Red Cross as blood donor clinic organizer of volunteer services.

She attributes her interest in community activities to her mother, Bertha Peters, "who has always been very active" and who now lives with the family — there are two grown sons and a daughter in high school — an eager participant in various seniors' organizations and activities.

**Enquiries for the new home are already pouring in, to the point, says Burman, "where we could fill the place right now." But applicants will be carefully screened and only those it is felt "will benefit from the environment" will be accepted.**

"Some kind of point system may have to be developed," she said, but "basically it is for people who are able to look after themselves."

There will be a resident caretaker, daily monitoring and assistance "on a short-term basis for people who are not feeling well" and one hot kosher meal per day will be provided.

A doctor's office on the premises will allow for a weekly clinic and skilled staff will conduct regular blood sugar, blood pressure and hearing tests and supervise medication and dietary requirements. There will be facilities for a variety of recreational and social programs, theatre, library and shopping expeditions, exercise and swimming programs.

# Torah shared with Gentiles, historical commentator proves

By NACHMAN SHEMEN

**Is the Torah a secret to be shared only among Jews? Emphatically not, says Rabbi Nachman Shemen, author of many commentaries on Jewish social and religious issues. As he points out in the following excerpt from his new book, "The Jewish Attitude Towards the Non-Jew," sages since Talmudic times have been more than willing to teach Torah to Gentile scholars of good will. Rabbi Shemen is executive director of the Orthodox division of the Canadian Jewish Congress' Ontario Region.**

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An interesting point of view is expounded by Tosefot to the effect that a Jew who teaches Torah to a non-Jew is guilty of violating the injunction "Do not place obstacles before the city (that you are attacking)." This prohibition is valid, according to the author, if the Gentile, after being taught the various precepts, fails to carry them out. On the other hand, to teach a Gentile who will perform the mitzvot is no offence; indeed it may even be a meritorious deed.

As mentioned previously, the ban was generally on the teaching of the oral Torah. To teach the written Scriptures to non-Jews was never forbidden. On the contrary, at certain times, as for example when the children of Israel entered the Promised Land, they wrote parts of the Torah in other languages. As the Mishna states, the Torah was engraved in 70 languages on Mount Garisim and Mount Aval.

The post-Talmudic period saw an ambivalence towards teaching non-Jews especially the oral tradition. This was due to the emergence of an entirely different situation resulting from the religious debates which the Christians forced on the Jews in the Middle Ages.

It is no wonder then that many Jewish scholars looked with disapproval on those who set themselves the task of teaching Christians to read Hebrew.

For not only is it said: "Do not explain the Torah to any son of the Gentile nations," but there is a ban on the translation of the Bible into another language.

**When the Torah was first translated into Greek by the seventy scholars working simultaneously, culminating in the Septuagint — which introduced the Hebrew Bible to the world — this was regarded as a colossal sin. The day in which this work was performed was, in the view of the Talmud, as disgraceful for the Jews as the day which saw the erection of the Golden Calf.**

Maimonides, however, in his responsa, holds the view that it is permissible to teach the Torah to Christians and that it often has beneficial results to acquaint them with Jewish precepts. "A man can teach the commandments to the Christians (so that they may know) the rewards and punishments that are contained therein . . . if they will change for the better; and so that they know that our Torah is God-given and is written also for them and their well-being."

Rabbi Graubart, in "Yamin U'Smol" and also in "Chevelim B'neemim" comes to the conclusion that the written Torah may certainly be taught to non-Jews.

We know of many Jewish scholars, judges, rabbis and Cabbalists who taught Torah to non-Jews, including: the Cabbala writer Moses Buttrill, author of "Sefer Yetzira"; and the 16th century scholar Eliahu Bachur, whose real name was Eliahu Levita (Halevy), (known to Christians as Elias Levita). The latter was the teacher of a cardinal who later became Pope.

**Rabbi Jacob Lyons was the teacher of the famous Christian theologian and friend of the Jews, Johannes Reuchlin, who saved the Talmud from burning at the order of the Emperor Maximilian upon instigation from the treacherous convert Pfefferkorn. Reuchlin also studied with Rabbi Avadia Seforno during his sojourn in Rome.**

Sometimes a Jewish scholar would seek the guidance of a Gentile teacher in order to unravel the meaning of some difficult passage of the Hebrew Bible. Rabbi Shmuel Hanagid, the famous medieval poet, cites several interpretations given by Christian scholars.

**For example, he mentions a letter from Rabbi Matzliach Ben Albazak, of Sicily, in which he writes that the students of Rabbi Hai Gaon's Yeshiva were baffled over the meaning of the passage from the Psalms [141:5] "The oil for the head do not place on my head," and that Rabbi Hai Gaon asked for local Catholic dignitary who was known as an expert on the Bible. At first Rabbi Matzliach was reluctant to comply with this request . . . but after being reassured by the Gaon, he approached the Christian who gave him the Surian translation of the passage, which made everything clear.**

The renowned Jewish scholar, Eliahu de Medigo, was the teacher of many Christians, among them the famous Italian philosopher Duke Giovanni Pico de Mirandello. De Medigo was one of the leading professors in Italy, teaching philosophy as well as Hebrew and Arabic to his Christian students.

During the period of the Reformation (1500-1530) there were numerous Christian academics and theologians who studied the Bible in the original Hebrew under the tutelage of Jewish scholars.

Similarly during the Arabic period, and later throughout the Renaissance, Jews helped to acquaint both the Moslem and Christian worlds with our Bible, Talmud and other Hebrew writings.

# Intermarriage in Israel reported

TEL AVIV (ZINS) — It may seem to be a tragic paradox, but it is a fact that the problem of mixed marriages also exists in the Jewish state, writes Michal Miron in the Hebrew daily, Ma'ariv.

The reporter cites a number of situations which show that even in Israel it is difficult to have a strictly controlled society: that even in the Jewish state it is not possible to avoid the problem of mixed marriages.

According to her report, several thousand Jewish women have married Arabs. Some formally converted to Islam. Some couples live together without benefit of clergy, in some cases because the women did not wish to become apostates.

It has never occurred, writes Miron, that an Arab girl was willing to renounce her people merely for the sake of the love of a Jewish husband.

The couples who are the result of mixed marriages, writes the journalist, encounter enormous difficulties even when the Arab husband — which is infrequent — is ready to adopt the Jewish faith. She writes: "The path of those who wish to convert to the Jewish faith is strewn with obstacles. The process is long and complicated. On the other hand, it is much easier to go over to the faith of Islam. Whoever wishes to convert is required simply to declare in the presence of the Khadi that Allah is God and Mohammed is his true prophet. The way to Islam is very easy."


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*Granola, tofu, additives discussed*

# New book features kosher health food recipes

There are as many theories about what are proper and healthful foods as there are economic theories about what will cure inflation. Nutrition may be an exact science but the unsuspecting public gets too many versions in the media and it's pretty confusing trying to determine just what to eat to stay healthy.

So it's not surprising that kosher cooking should come under scrutiny and Jane Kinderlehrer, in a book entitled "Cooking Kosher: The Natural Way" (Jonathan David Publishers, $16.50 Canadian), advances the idea that using natural foods in kosher recipes takes the sting out of some no-no's we eat as part of our traditional fare. (The book is distributed by Negev Importing, 3509 Bathurst St., Toronto.)

**In a foreword, Dr. Robert S. Mendelsohn declares that "just because certain foods are kosher does not necessarily mean they are healthy to eat ... the laws of kashrut cannot always be justified on the grounds that they produce health."**

Dr. Mendelsohn takes aim especially at chemicals being used in such great abundance in most foodstuffs and he is critical of our rabbis for failing to protect us from the "better living through chemistry" mentality of the American food industry.

He does add, however, that "occasional voices are heard in the wilderness, such as those of Toronto rabbi Gedaliah Felder who, in an article dealing with chemical substances in food stated that while these may not be treif or unkosher per se, they may be dangerous to life and, for this reason, should be prohibited even though present in only tiny amounts ... Rabbi Felder concludes that if the rabbis fail to disqualify these dangerous contaminated food substances, they are guilty of misleading the people."

Because Jane Kinderlehrer advises the use of natural foods to replace those loaded with chemicals, Dr. Mendelsohn seems to feel that the book "may well be an essential ingredient in our eternal quest for Jewish — and biological — survival."

Well ... that may be stretching it a bit.

All Kinderlehrer has done in her book is to stress the nutritional values of certain natural foods and compiled a list for the Jewish housewife. The health nuts who have been patronizing the health food stores for the past dozen or so years have been telling us the same thing — but without giving their views a Jewish angle.

The list of what every housewife should use in natural foods is valuable and so is the one of the products to be dumped in the garbage. But when she explains that certain health foods tend to counteract the evils of a no-no, she's not discouraging the fresser from eating foods he shouldn't really touch.

For example, in the matter of lox and other smoked fish and meats: They contain nitrites which get together with amines in the stomach and the resulting combination is nitrosamine — which is carcinogenic (cancer-causing). Kinderlehrer suggests that "if you must indulge, take vitamin C first," because this vitamin tends to prevent the linkage of the two substances.

**Wouldn't it be easier and more sensible NOT to eat these foods? Cheaper, too, when you consider the high cost of smoked foods.**

This is fairly typical of the author's general approach to Jewish eating. Her recipes include most of the rich, calorie-loaded items associated with Jewish life but throughout she adds or substitutes a natural food which doesn't reduce the Yiddisher tam but still is apparently a little less health-damaging than the original version. However, there ARE some great recipes and if you regard Kinderlehrer's effort as an updated Jewish cookbook, then it certainly is well worth the money.

But let's concentrate on the health aspects.

How, for example, do you "naturalize" the kitchen? In your good nutrition department, says the book, you should have wheat germ ("a nutritional gold mine"), bran, brewer's yeast, whole wheat flour, soy flour, carob powder (made from the boxer fruit grown in Israel), oils which are pressed (sunflower, sesame, safflower, soy, olive), seeds (sesame, sunflower, pumpkin, poppy), seeds for sprouting (alfalfa, mung bean, lentil, wheat, rye, etc.), sea salt, lecithin granules and soy grits, all types of beans, grains (kasha or buckwheat especially recommended), unsweetened coconut, dried fruit, raw nuts, molasses, arrowroot powder, sodium-free baking powder.

**And, says the book, dump the following: refined sugar, bleached white flour, hydrogenated fats, minute rice, packaged goods, the syrup of canned fruits unless they are canned in ther own juices, non-dairy creamers.**

For Passover, use whole wheat matzo which contains wheat germ and bran. Make your own cake meal from the whole wheat matzo.

The author is keen on tofu, "the pareve wonder," used as "a natural wholesome alternative to non-dairy concoctions that are loaded with chemicals." Tofu is derived from soybeans, is free of cholestrol and even lowers cholestrol, says Kinderlehrer.

Granola is another favored item suggested in recipes for various types of Purim goodies.

As mentioned, the recipes sound great. There's one for a low-fat, low-calories Passover kishke (using whole wheat cake meal) that sounds delicious, as do the matzo balls, also made with whole wheat matzo meal.

The gefilte fish recipe (using carp, pike and white fish plus the ever-present whole wheat matzo meal), is rated as "higher in protein and lower in calories than most cuts of meat ... with polyunsaturated fatty acids, the kind that dissolve cholesterol ... Carp also contains many bone-building minerals."

Can you enjoy a vegetarian diet and still get back to your ancestral roots? Indeed you can, says the author, who points out that back in the shtetl, where meat was a rare commodity, many delicious meatless dishes were devised — kugels, blintzes, kreplach, kasha varnishkes. All examples of complete protein dishes. Says the author: "If you use whole wheat soy noodles or add wheat germ and a little soy to a lockshen kugel made with cheese and eggs, it will provide more and better protein than a pastrami sandwich."

**In this section there is a chart of protein combinations that can be used as alternatives to meat — and it's a long, long list.**

The book has a helpful glossary and a complete index of the recipes.

Sections are clearly defined: meat and poultry main dishes, dairy specialties, Sabbath and festival specialties, Passover specialties, how to entertain, children's specialties, pastries and pies, how to bake bread, etc. Leading off each section is a brief discussion of the subject, how certain items became associated with Jewish tradition, problems which exist with the commercial ingredients involved in these foods and so forth.

All in all, an entertaining book and maybe it will even offer you some good advice! — M.L.

# *Petition urges Kaplan to act on war criminals*

By ABBE EDELSON

TORONTO —

A petition to Solicitor-General Robert Kaplan calling for action against Nazi war criminals residing in Canada was circulated at a community symposium held recently at York University.

The petition urged Kaplan to "implore the Canadian government to act immediately with regard to the apprehension, prosecution and/or extradition of Nazi war criminals in Canada."

The symposium was sponsored by the B'nai B'rith League for Human Rights, the Jewish Federation and Students Against Nazis at York.

Ken Narvey, a researcher for the North American Jewish Students Network, told the meeting that amendments suggested recently by Justice Minister Jean Chretien to Canada's proposed Charter of Rights and Freedoms could pave the way for prosecuting war criminals here.

Originally, section 11(e) of the proposed Charter stated that "anyone charged with an offence has the right not to be found guilty on account of any act or omission that at the time of the act or omission did not constitute an offence."

According to Narvey, this wording would have made it impossible to bring Nazi war criminals to trial in Canada, as it could be interpreted to mean exclusion of war crimes and crimes against humanity — which were not mentioned in Canadian statutes during World War II.

Chretien's suggested amendment now includes the words "national or international law at the time it was committed" and therefore, according to Narvey, this could include mass murder of Jews during the Holocaust.

Narvey said also that an amendment to section 11(f) suggests that a charge can be laid in Canada even if suspects have already been tried and convicted in absentia by European courts. Originally, the Charter stated that "anyone charged with an offence has the right not to be tried or punished more than once for an offence of which he or she has been finally convicted or acquitted."

The amendment adds the words "in Canada" to this clause.

Others who spoke at the symposium included Alan Shefman, director of BB's League for Human Rights; Donald Carr, a national vice-president of Canadian Jewish Congress and Sy Langer.

**Those wishing to add their names to the petition should contact the Jewish Student Federation at York University, phone [416] 667-3674.**


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# Arts

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Neville Frankel, author of "The Third Power"

## *Writing his first novel like playing the market, says Neville Frankel*

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

When Neville Frankel was knee-deep in writing "The Third Power," his first published novel-cum-thriller, he felt a little like an anxious stockbroker watching the composite index decline.

Here he was, an unpublished writer, churning out a manuscript about racial and tribal conflict in southern Africa, wondering all the while whether fast-changing events would render his novel somewhat obsolete.

"It was like playing the stock market," says the 32-year-old native of South Africa.

When he began writing The Third Power (published by Nelson, Foster and Scott last month), a political settlement in Rhodesia (Zimbabwe) seemed far off. By the time Frankel reached the point of no return in his book, an accord appeared imminent.

Keeping The Third Power topical was Frankel's supreme challenge, as news of an agreement blared from TV and radio. "It was fascinating," recalls Frankel, a stockbroker in real life. "I'd get up in the morning to see if what I had written the day before had happened."

Like a speculator gambling on a volatile penny stock, Frankel all but staked everything in pitting his wits against the unfolding political drama in southern Africa.

"The tension, the pressure, was great," he explains. "But I couldn't stop. I was too engrossed in the book. Nothing gives me more pleasure than writing."

**In Frankel's view, the writer and the stockbroker have at least one quality in common. "Writing is about human emotion, and you see a lot of this on the floor of a stock market."**

Frankel, who toiled over The Third Power for nine months, believes that the passage of time has not diminished its topicality.

Although it's essentially a fantasy, The Third Power is grounded in hard fact. "It comes from the issues I've wondered and worried about," he says.

Southern Africa, like the Middle East, is a potential cockpit of a world war. "It's more important to the West than most people think it is," Frankel remarks.

In this respect, The Third Power — which has generally garnered favorable reviews — is not strictly a thriller about Africa, he points out.

But much of it is set in Africa, particularly South Africa and Zimbabwe. These countries contain vast mineral wealth and possess significant strategic importance. "It would really be devastating if that part of the world fell to the East," he says, referring to the Soviet Union.

**South Africa, he notes, is Africa's last democracy. Frankel abhors South Africa's system of racial oppression, but says that the South African regime is a key link in the West's defence.**

Frankel started writing The Third Power, which one reviewer terms a novel of "much originality," because the concept of a world war, touched off by the strife in Zimbabwe, so enthralled him.

"Here was a situation that was ripe for a writer's touch," he says.

Despite its obvious importance, South Africa has lain fallow in the imagination of writers specializing in the thriller. Practitioners of the art, such as Ken Follett and Frederick Forsythe, have zeroed in on the Middle East and Black Africa. But none, to the best of his knowledge, has focused his attention on South Africa or Zimbabwe.

Frankel, who holds an MA in English literature, is more or less satisfied with his first published work.

A slow, meticulous writer, he produced four drafts before submitting it to a publisher. Years ago, he wrote his autobiography. "It's not publishable. It's badly written. A writer has to exert some control over what he writes. He doesn't submit just anything to a publisher."

The Third Power, however, was a different kettle of fish, being well-constructed and chock full of clearly distinguishable characters, in the opinion of The Globe and Mail.

"There are some passages in it I'm very proud of," says Frankel. "Others, in retrospect, I would have excised completely."

An account executive with Merrill Lynch, Frankel wrote The Third Power after toiling at the office. It wasn't, he concedes, always easy to forget the cares of his job and plunge into his self-appointed labor of love.

Fortunately, his wife, a third-year medical student at the University of Toronto, encouraged him. "We have a pretty good arrangement," he says. "We come home and we work."

**Frankel joined Merrill Lynch in 1979 after being unable to find a university-level teaching post. "I'd always followed the stock market. I thought it would be exciting. It is."**

Working on a commission basis, he earns a good livelihood. "For the present, I've put aside English as a career," he says.

A native of Johannesburg, Frankel and his family left South Africa in the early 1960s, bound for Boston. He studied at Dartmouth, University of Toledo and the U of T.

For one year, he lived in Israel, working on a kibbutz near the Lebanese border, and studying biblical Hebrew at the Hebrew University.

Frankel, a cross-country skiing and long-distance swimming buff, has not entirely ruled out a full-time career as an author. "It has crossed my mind," he admits.

"But I'd be lost without the stock market," he quickly adds. "I've become addicted to it."

# Story of decency in the face of evil— how non-Jews saved lives of Jews

**books**

By BERNARD BASKIN

Avenues of the Righteous
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Would you risk your life to save another human being? Think about it; don't answer too quickly. Life is sweet and self-preservation is an instinctive reaction to danger.

This inspiring book is about five Christians who risked their lives to save one or more Jews during World War II. As far back as the 10th century CE the rabbis referred to such heroes as hasidei ummot ha-olam — literally, "the righteous ones of the nations of the world." Judaism asserted that they had a secure share in the Hereafter. Such "righteous" individuals during the period of the Holocaust were few, but not rare.

In Israel, on a Jerusalem hillside, the Avenue of the Righteous contains more than 800 trees planted in honor of non-Jews who placed their lives in jeopardy in hiding and rescuing Jews. At the base of each tree is a small plaque with the name and nationality of the honored person.

**Why did they do it? For the most part the righteous are diffident and hesitant to explain their actions. They are averse to publicity and reluctant to recall the war years. They shrug their shoulders and say, "I did nothing special. Anybody would have done it." But very few did.**

Peter Hellman, an American journalist and free-lance writer, visited the Avenue of the Righteous and was struck by the drama and challenge of its message. "Here was a subject resounding with the big themes — decency in the face of evil, courage in the face of indifference or cowardliness, unrelenting and fearless love. This was not a subject that would fail the writer. It could only be the writer who would fail the subject."

With deep sympathy and compelling regard, the author writes about Raoul Laporterie, a dapper French clothing store owner, who smuggled hundreds of Jews across the border from occupied to unoccupied France; of a Belgian charwoman who secreted two Jews in her attic as their small son was protected by an indomitable new-found "aunt"; of a devout Dutch woodcraftsman and his family which claimed a Jew as "cousin" and thereby saved her life.

**The longest and most touching account is of a Polish woman, a humble factory worker, who found an abandoned Jewish baby and grew to love her as her own child. One day she is suddenly confronted by the child's father, returned from Auschwitz, and a tragic emotional tangle develops. The father removes the child to Israel and the moving story ends many years later in joy and reconciliation.**

Hellman visited the survivors and their benefactors and his account is interwoven with their words of terror, hope, courage and gratitude.

Most books about the Holocaust are ultimately depressing and misanthropic. This work, however, reminds us that "shreds of decency endure even in darkest times and that men and women exist for whom caring is stronger than fear."

In trying to assess the role of the righteous the author believes that not only do they save a few humans who happened to be Jews, but they also unknowingly helped to save the rest of us. "Without them and others unknown the rest of us might finally be swept clean from the earth."

# Anti-semitism catalogue explores church's role

By DAVID BIRKAN

**Anti-semitism: The Causes and Effects of a Prejudice**
**Paul Grosser and Edwin Halperin**
**Citadel Press-McLeod Publishing Co., $7.95**

Grosser and Halperin's study is a compendium of anti-semitism, aimed as much at thoughtful Gentiles as at Jews. It is unique and valuable, in many ways.

The book is a history of anti-semitic incidents from Roman times to our own, divided into 10 historical sections. Each section contains: a background paper, explaining and interpreting apparent trends; a commentary on Jewish-Christian relations; a discussion of anti-semitic continuity; capsule descriptions of incidents on a year-by-year basis; and copious references. A 15-page bibliography is included.

The descriptions, themselves, are terse, often a sentence in length, presented with no comment. For example, in 1889: "In Austria, a number of ritual murder cases occurred in the provinces of Bohemia and Slovakia . . . accompanied by mob attacks on the Jewish community. The first Hungarian anti-semitic newspaper was founded in Pressburg." Or, in 1927: "Three Jewish interns were dragged from bed and doused with ice water in Kings County Hospital in New York."

The entries make for fascinating reading . . . dark poetic statements of human folly. Each reference is annotated, directing the reader to additional information.

The background papers and commentaries are clearly and simply written. Facts and concepts are presented to inform the reader, and not to impress or dazzle him. For example, in the background paper on the early Christian period (325-500 C.E.) the authors write:

". . . Paganism was outlawed and Judaism and Jews cast in the role of pariah . . .

"Christians were forbidden to interact with Jews.

"Conversion to Judaism was punishable by confiscation of all property.

"Church hymns, conciliar decrees, pastoral teachings, and theological writings heaped contempt and derision on Judaism and Jews.

"State policy restricting the political and civil rights of Jews furthered the image of Jews as second-class citizens.

"Leading churchmen rebutted lay authorities who tried to protect the rights or property of Jews.

"Hating the Jews was taught to be a Christian duty."

**The authors also explore causes of anti-semitism, in a terse but far-ranging presentation. The Jewish experience under Islam is also discussed. A 27-page conclusion presents the principles, causes and effects of anti-Jewish actions spanning more than 2,000 years.**

The book is one of the most comprehensive and systematic treatments of anti-semitism available in a single volume. Its Time-Life style of writing helps clarify the parts played by a host of factors in perpetuating humanity's greatest malaise.

As indicated in the introduction, an important goal of the book is to teach Christian audiences the part their traditions played to the detriment of Judaism. Here, Franklin Littel, of Temple University, writes: "This book will make it possible for people of conscience to see where Christianity went wrong."

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## Stars in play about people liberating themselves

# Judith Lander has her act together

By JUDITH KNELMAN

TORONTO —

For actress Judith Lander, a play is a living, growing being. She finds expressing a character a two-way experience — what happens to her affects the characterization, and what the character represents assumes added meaning for her as the play's run progresses.

"I'm Getting My Act Together and Taking It on the Road," which opened at the Ports last July and has been extended through February at least, is much more than a feminist morality tale, Miss Lander maintains.

"It's not a women's lib story at all," she said recently. "It's about the ability and inability of people to liberate themselves. Heather cuts herself loose from her past but Joe can't. He's destined to repeat his mistakes because he's afraid to grow."

**According to Lander, the play is popular because Heather does what many people in the audience feel a need to do. She evolves because she is finally able to let go of what society tells her will bring her happiness. Instead, says Lander, Heather finds the prospect of happiness by going back to the roots of humanity . . . the inner rules by the ancient prophets and mystics.**

"The audience involvement in this play is amazing," she said. "And it gets stronger as time goes on. People realize that all around them marriages are falling apart and we're at odds with each other, vying for success and power. We're close to destroying ourselves in many ways."

Heather attempts to find out who she is, discarding identities she feels are false. "At the end of the show, when I reach out into the darkness and say I don't know where I'm going, but I see the face in the mirror and it's my face, I mean it in the deepest way," said Lander. "I, too, have been trying to find myself . . . to realize my potential and evolve."

Curioulsy, after six months of nightly contact, the two characters, Lander's and Heather's, have meshed. "I began the show physically exhausted," said the actress. "I attempted to make my life synchronize with the character of Heather. And as the show developed, I began to be more relaxed. I watched my face physically change, lose lines and puffiness and pallor. I became a winner as I made Heather a winner."

In the process of becoming a star, Lander was able to inject into her characterization of Heather a feeling of brightness and optimism that comes from her own confidence that what Heather stands for is valid. What Heather gave back to her is vitality and power. "My voice keeps getting better and better," Lander said. "I simply don't get vocally tired now."

**The play, she says, is the story of her life — a liberation not from Winnipeg, her home, which she loves, nor from her family, who have been very supportive and close, but from a way of life that she found restricted her development as an artist and a person.**

Leaving New York to play Heather in Toronto freed her from an environment she found dehumanized and cutthroat. Toronto, she has found, is gentle by comparison, and cosmopolitan enough to nourish an artist. But it was a long trip.

Emotionally, she's been liberated in much the same way as Heather. She freed herself from the concept of show business as a means of becoming rich and famous. In 1975, she made a decision not to pursue the theatre, but to write songs.

After that decision had been made, her marriage broke up and her mother died. Another level of her work developed as she struggled to cope with those blows. She continued to create songs, and in the process created a stronger personality. When the offer came to go back into show business in Toronto, "I knew it was my chance to show who I was on the stage."

Who she is is a free, open, fiercely independent woman who sings and acts with talent, conviction and intelligence. She is a responsible artist who does what she has to do rather than what she wants to do. "I'm the kind of person who has had to find her own rules. If they don't always go with what society says . . . too bad."

Judith Lander contemplates getting her act out on the road.

**Her background is conventional middle-class Jewish. Her mother, the late Clara Lander, was a shining light in the Winnipeg cultural scene — actively encouraging painters, musicians, playwrights, dancers and writers. Her father, Dr. Jack Lander, a general practitioner, is a fixture in many Winnipeg sickrooms. She comes, in other words, from a tradition of selfless community service.**

When she decided, at 18, to break away from the community in order to find herself, her parents resisted. But find herself she did.

"I was on the perimeter of the Jewish social scene. Winnipeg is a wonderful garden of individuals but I knew I was not going to settle down there and begin the normal situation for a Jewish woman," she recalled.

At first, she sang in mining towns in northern Ontario. Then came television shows in Montreal and Toronto. By the time she was 21, she had landed a part in Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris," a long-running musical in Boston that later played Toronto.

Eventually, she made New York her own home. When she returned to Toronto in 1977 to sing her songs with a ballet company, she was well received by the critics. "I vowed I wouldn't come back. I worked in Winnipeg and Montreal but avoided Toronto."

Now she's moved from New York to Toronto. The timing was right, she felt — she'd developed as an artist and New York had declined as an environment.

"I didn't feel that I was merely going back to show business," she explained. "I felt that I was going back to Toronto because I had something to give the audiences there. I'd developed to the point where I had to convey that message."

**Now that she has made a name for herself as a performer in Toronto, Lander is able to present herself as a composer and singer of music that accompanies dance.**

**Recently, she appeared in a program with Les Ballets Jazz de Montreal in a piece called "Diary" and received very favorable reviews.**

**On March 6, she will appear at the Gala Performance ballet benefit at O'Keefe Centre, when ticket prices go up to $100.**

# Few Jews nominated for 81 Juno Awards

## music

By RICK KARDONNE

TORONTO —

**What is the current degree of Jewish participation in Canada's pop recording scene as exemplified by the upcoming Juno Awards to be held Feb. 5 at O'Keefe Centre?**

Up until the early 1970s, Jewish participation in Canada's pop music industry was fairly prominent, as exemplified by such trailblazers as Jackie Rae, Moe Koffman, Paul Hoffert, Joe Mendelson and others. Now, while the above-mentioned figures are still around, the under-35 and all-vital youth-oriented entertainment generation of today has a significantly lesser Jewish pressure.

In fact, and this is true also in the United States, not since the turn of the century has the Jewish profile in the under-35 pop generation been so low.

Of the 95 Juno nominees, there are only five I know to be Jewish: the singing trio Sharon, Lois and Bram; new-wave singer Michaele Jordana (who is building up a good local following) and Eddie Schwartz, who wrote the hit song "Hit Me with Your Best Shot" for New York-based songstress Pat Benatar. (Benatar is a Jewish name but a national rock publication listed her original name as being Andrewski, so her status is uncertain).

I believe that some of the members of the heavy-metal rock group Rush are Jewish. International nominee Billy Joel's father is Jewish and his mother is not, so again, for these purposes, his status is unclear.

South of the border, in terms of pop performers under the age of 40 (which is now the appropriate age of the final "Brooklyn generation" of Carole King, Neil Diamond, Paul Simon, Barry Manilow, Neil Sedaka and Barbara Streisand, together with Bette Midler who is of corresponding age) the Jewish presence is likewise at an unprecedented low. (And I wouldn't consider that embarrassing paean to assimilation — Neil Diamond's remake of "The Jazz Singer" — as being a Jewish presence worthy of pride).

Why is this so?

Jewish pop culture thrives best in an atmosphere of forward-looking eclecticism, and the record industry on both sides of the border for the past eight years has become so stratified into separate, stylistic white and black racial markets that very often, except in the disco scene, the Jewish North American secular urban pop culture has been left "betwixt and between" in today's tight budget times.

**In reaction to this, many of the best Jewish-secular younger talent has instead gone into stand-up comedy, film, cabaret, or, better, still, a distinctly affirmative Jewish-Israeli pop scene such as is now forming in New York and Miami.**

A hopeful return to a more hospitable eclecticism is signified by Blondie's latest album "Auto-American" in the U.S. and Bruce Cockburn's "Humans" in Canada. I hope that Canadian recording execs, noting the great sales success of both albums, will forego preconceived ideas of pop music ethnic stereotype categorization and return to the ideas of pop music for one audience consisting of everybody.

Such freedom will permit a far greater flowering of Jewish pop creative talent to occur here. If this is allowed to happen, our Juno presence will again rise.

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RIVKA GOLANI- ERDESZ PLAYS BLOCH'S SUITE HEBRAIQUE: Highlighting Rivka Golani-Erdesz' annual CBC viola recital, Jan. 15, at Walter Hall was a stunningly passionate performance of Bloch's Suite Hebraique. The final movement, "Affirmation," epitomizes the ultimately triumphant Jewish spirit for today's times. I'm so very glad she featured this piece in such a major recital. And I know that this great violist will do likewise, again.

# Van Gogh exhibit opens at AGO

By ANDREA PARKER

TORONTO —

Vincent van Gogh has finally arrived and he has brought some of his friends with him. The exhibit of 120 paintings, entitled "Vincent van Gogh and the Birth of Cloisonsim," will be on display at the Art Gallery of Ontario until March 22.

**Cloisonism has been described as a style with "rigorous outlines and flat zones of pure color derived from medieval enamels, stained glass windows, Japanese art and popular woodcut prints."**

And gradually, as you walk slowly through the gallery, listening to a 30-minute tape about these paintings collected for this show from all over the world, you start to appreciate this style of art which developed from 1886 to 1891.

The reason this exhibition is so unique is that the organizer, Dr. Bogomila Maria Welsh — Ovcharov, was able to bring together many of the works of van Gogh's contemporaries. The result is that the paintings highlight cloisonsism, allowing the viewer to compare and contrast the artists' interpretation of the style, whether it is through self-portraits, scenes from various parts of France, or paintings of friends and relatives, who were willing to pose.

One such portrait, entitled "La Berceuse: Madame Augustin Roulin" (1889), by van Gogh is flanked by the artist's famous "Still Life: Vase with Fourteen Sunflowers" (1889) and "Still Life: Vase with Irises Against a Yellow Background" (1890). The entire effect illuminates the portrait of the motherly-looking woman, her hands patiently folded, but still holding the rope to an unseen cradle.

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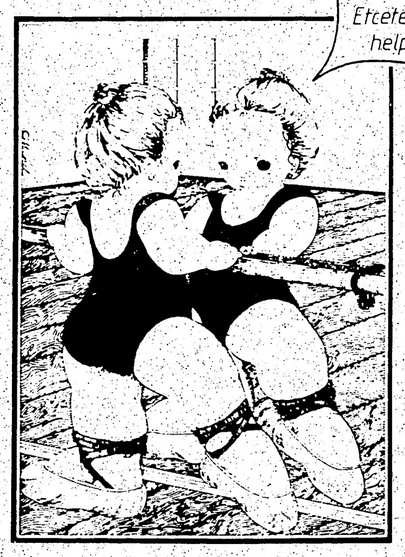

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# Because there's so much snow on the ground skiers have dozens of resorts to try this year

By JAMES MONTAGNES

TORONTO —

With a good supply of snow early this winter in both Ontario and Quebec, the ski slopes in both provinces will be well used. While there are no new major facilities in the popular ski resort areas in Eastern Canada, there are improved ski lifts, snow-making facilities and transportation at a number of the ski areas.

Package tours by rail, for example, this season include four weekend trips in Ontario and Quebec by VIA Rail and four weekly packages. The weekend packages are to Camp Fortune in the Ottawa area (at rates from $100 a person, double occupancy), to Huntsville (from $180 per person, two to a room), to St. Saveur near Montreal (from $134 per person) and includes one day at Jay Peak on the Vermont-Quebec border, and to Mont Tremblant, north of Montreal (from $165 per person, double occupancy).

The weekly VIA Rail packages are for four, five or six days to the ski slopes of Thunder Bay (from $235 up), to the Laurentian ski resorts of Mont Tremblant and L'Esterel for five days (from $310 and $362 per person respectively), and to Mont Ste. Anne near Quebec City for four days (from $250 up per person, double occupancy).

Mont Ste. Anne is one of the highest ski areas in Eastern Canada, has the only gondola lifts in this part of the country, with breathtaking views of the St. Lawrence River. The package tours include transportation, first class hotels, use of ski lifts, and some meals.

In southern Ontario, the bulk of the ski areas are within 150 miles (240 kilometres) of Toronto. There are ski slopes with a variety of ski lifts, from rope tows to double chairlifts, in the Collingwood and Midland area of the Georgian Bay, where there are small lodges and motels, and ski lifts range in price from $5 to $15 a weekend.

There are many ski slopes closer to the city, so that you can go out just for the day in the Caledon, Milton, Bolton, Orangeville and Alliston areas. Ski lifts run about $10 for the weekend.

North of Toronto are small ski resort hotels, lodges and motels in the Barrie, Orillia, Bracebridge, Huntsville and Sundridge areas, in some of which there are weekend winter carnivals. Ski lift costs range from $7 to $13 for the weekend.

East of Toronto there is skiing in the Bethany, Peterborough and Haliburton regions, with some overnight accommodations available. Ski lift costs here run from $8 up, for the weekend.

In the Ottawa area there is much skiing. From the capital the Gatineau Hills, which loom in the background in Quebec province, are popular with Ottawa residents who can go out by bus. Northwest of Ottawa are ski slopes near Arnprior, Pembroke and Barry's Bay, with ski lift costs from $7 to $12 for the weekend.

West of Toronto there is some skiing activity around Kitchener, London and Hamilton. Furthest west in Ontario is Thunder Bay, best known for its ski jumping facilities on the mountain which looms over the harbor lined with grain terminals.

**While only a few of Ontario's ski areas are equipped with snow-making equipment, most of the ski resort areas of Quebec province north of Montreal have facilities for manufacturing snow when nature does not leave enough, or to supplement ski slopes well-used by skiers from the United States.**

Quebec's skiing areas are north of Montreal, in the Quebec City area and south of the St. Lawrence River in the Eastern Townships. The latter are among the latest to be developed and have been increasing their facilities in recent years.

The Eastern Townships have seven major ski centres, all within 100 miles (160 mkm) from Montreal. These include Bromont, Sutton, Mount Echo, Mount Orford, North Hatley and Owl's Head. A number of these communities have interchangeable tickets for ski lifts.

In the Quebec City area there is good skiing around Lac Beauport, at Stoneham and at Mont Ste. Anne. At the latter there are at least 15 ski runs with vertical drops of 2,050 feet (about 700 metres). The four-passenger gondola lifts carry skiers and sightseers 7,700 feet (about 2,500 metres) to the summit in 14 minutes.

**The Laurentian Mountains north of Montreal are the most popular of Quebec's ski regions, accessible by toll express roads as well as by train. There are dozens of small communities which come alive with the first snow, have luxury resort hotels serving gourmet food, celebrities for evening entertainment, and abound in intimate small dining and drinking-dancing establishments. They include Ste. Adele, Ste. Agathe, Ste. Marguerite, Val David, Mont Gabriel to name but a few.**

Throughout Ontario and Quebec there are now numerous facilities for the cross-country skier, with trails cut through the woods. Not only the downhill skier is looked after.

For those who want something extra, there is Winterlude at Ottawa from February 6 to 15, with a variety of events on the frozen Rideau Canal including a horse race and a bed race on skates, along with a 100 mile (160 km) cross-country ski marathon from Lachute, Quebec, to Ottawa.

The famous Quebec Carnaval is held the first two weeks of February. While it has many ski events, including a ski race through the centre of the hilly city, there are also parades, peewee hockey games, ice sculpture exhibits, costume balls, toboggan slides on the heights of Dufferin Terrace, and a canoe race across the mile-wide ice-strewn St. Lawrence River to Levis and return, as exciting an event as you will want to see, provided you are in a warm place to watch the canoeists clamber out of their canoes, haul them over ice pans and get back in the water again.

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# There are bargains galore in store when you buy food in Florida

By JUDITH KNELMAN

ST. PETERSBURG BEACH, Fla. —

Calculating how much you save while you're spending money on food can be an amusing and rewarding pastime here.

If you're staying in an efficiency apartment and have to buy groceries, start clipping coupons. Magazines, local newspapers and the food section of the New York Times are good sources. Then watch the daily papers for food specials and pursue the bargains.

I've been buying 6-pack frozen bagels, for instance, for 32 cents. The first one cost me 47 cents, the special price advertised by a large grocery chain. On the package was a cut-out 15 cents-off coupon, so I emptied it as soon as I returned to my apartment, repacked the bagels and took the coupon back to the store for more bagels.

You can do the same with a large decanter of dry-roasted peanuts, which sells at some stores that haven't yet heard the bad news about the latest peanut crop for about $2.50. When you get to the bottom of the jar, you find a discount coupon good on your next decanter.

When you tire of bagels and peanuts, look for bargains on dairy products. Right now the Americans seem to be promoting cheese and milk. The average price of eight ounces of U.S. cheese was $1.34 in St. Petersburg in mid-December, according to a price survey by the St. Petersburg Times. That's merely the average price — you can find it advertised for substantially less.

Coffee is another hot item. Average price for a 1-pound can according to the survey, was $2.64, and you can subtract from that discount coupons to be found in newspapers and magazines. Bagged coffee is even less expensive.

**Meat costs about the same in Florida as it does in Canada, and as in Canada it pays to watch for specials on chicken. Fish isn't a whole lot cheaper, but it's certainly better, and should form the mainstay of your diet when you're not eating bagels and peanuts.**

Produce is variable, depending on the specials. There aren't coupons for fruits and vegetables, so you have to go from chain to chain to stock your fridge economically. Regular prices can be high — 30 cents a pound was the average for bananas in mid-December and a head of lettuce cost 56 cents.

Naturally, in making comparisons with Canadian grocery prices you have to take into account the difference in the dollar, but it is still significantly cheaper to eat in Florida if you shop carefully. And on days when the sun isn't shining, shopping can be an adventure rather than a chore.

Of course, nobody on vacation eats home cooking consistently. The point of stocking your refrigerator is to make eating convenient. When you feel like going to a reataurant, the bargains are even greater.

**In general, restaurant prices are much lower in Florida than they are in Canada, possibly because employees get bigger tips there than they do at home. And to draw tourists, many restaurants have special deals for early diners.**

These are called "early bird specials" and consist of food or drinks that are discounted if they're ordered before a set time, usually 6 to 7 p.m.

The Brown Derby has a "happy hour," for instance, that sets the price of most drinks at 89 cents between 4 and 6 p.m. In addition, you get all you want to eat of the hors d'oeuvres — cheese, cocktail wieners, chicken livers and popcorn the day I went.

Restaurants from the corner pancake house to the most elegant establishment on the beach cater to the early bird crowd. For under $2 you can eat a quite passable dinner before 6 p.m. at the pancake house, but why do that when for $4.95 you can get soup, a main course with two vegetables and a salad at the Wine Cellar in North Redington Beach if you place your order before 6?

Other restaurants with remarkable value are the Hungry Fisherman and Leverock's for seafood, The Penguin for roast beef and the Breckenridge Hotel for Sunday brunch.

# Wildcat strike at El Al ends quickly– airline expects to be reorganized

TEL AVIV —

A paralyzing wildcat strike at El Al ended as suddenly as it started. Israel's national airline is back on the job.

The decision by El Al chairman Avraham Shavit recently to dismiss several maintenance personnel after they conducted a 4-hour work stoppage led to a general strike by sympathetic union members.

The suspension of flights and rerouting of passengers began on a worldwide scale. Massive economic disruptions were expected.

Shavit relented. His agreement to rehire the maintenance personal brought all workers back to the job.

The government-owned carrier has been losing heavily in recent years because of labor strife, the skyrocketing cost of fuel and a general travel-depressing recession.

Airline officials said they expect the government to reorganize El Al on a tighter basis and eliminate the multiplicity of workers' committees which have been responsible for numerous strikes and job actions in the past.

Huge deficits forced El Al to the edge of dissolution last year. Shavit, head of the Israel Manufacturers Association, was put in charge. A program of drastic cost-cutting was undertaken. One of his first acts was to get a no-strike pledge from El Al employees, who feared the airline might go under.

Union representatives said during the recent strike that the prospect of El Al closing down worried them, but they were still prepared to "strike to the end" because "management should not be allowed to fire workers arbitrarily."

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# *Food, food, food- it's a key concern for cruise trips*

By LARRY FROMMER

Crusing conjures up a most agreeable assortment of images — total euphoria for one — not to mention instant sunshine, exotic ports of call, catching up on the flicks and the world's cheapest happy hours. But the quintessential image of a cruise is that of a brain boggling, tummy titillating orgy of constant wining and dining.

Dining is the feature attraction of any cruise, all other activities being short subjects. The first question most prospective cruise passengers fire at their travel agents when selecting a cruise ship is "how is the food?" Just take a referendum of the passengers on any cruise vessel as to their most beloved shipboard activity and eating will win in a landslide.

**Little wonder, then, that 40% out of every dollar spent by a passenger on a cruise is allocated to matters of the kitchen. Today's cruise ships pleasure and pamper their guests not only with a bounteous three meals a day but with a sumptuous midnight buffet and, for those still up and about, a hardy snack at 2 a.m.**

Now for some, who might otherwise welcome the considerable blessings of a cruise, that's a problem. The prospect of round-the-clock feeding is utterly intimidating and they're reluctant to expose their waistlines and other parts to the relentless onslaught of a week or two of culinary largess.

Whereas such self denial is noble, it is not necessary. The dining mystique of a cruise ship is precisely what you make of it. While it is a fact that passengers frequently accumulate shipboard calories with the greatest of ease, it's not the only game in town. Believe it or not ye gourmands of scant resistance, it is entirely possible to eat in plentitude, yet keep your girth within sane and reasonable porportions.

Overeating on a cruise is not a requirement for passage. No one is compelled to make a glutton of himself. Nothing in the book commands us to indulge full tilt in the obscenities of a cruise larder. No formidable waiter or indulgent Jewish mother is hovering over us insisting that we eat everything and looking pained if we don't.

And we have options ... delightful options. Cruise menus, contrary to hearsay, are not limited to such disasters as cream soups, sauce-drenched entrees and rich deserts. It is actualy the infinite alternatives, the immensity of choice which gives the passenger who wishes to control his calories a fighting chance.

As a starter, try continental-style breakfasts rather than the full scale American genre with its eggs, meats, sweet rolls, etc. A continental breakfast consists of juice or fruit, a roll and coffee or tea, which should get you started on the right foot. If you are ravenous before lunch, boullion, crackers and tea is served at 11 a.m.

At lunchtime, many ships have a daily poolside buffet which brims with temptations. But the buffet also provides a generous selection of salads, broiled meats, cold cuts, clear soups and fruits.

**If you are afraid that the midnight buffet will compromise your good intentions, arrange immediately upon boarding ship for the second dinner sitting, which is customarily scheduled from 8 until 9.30 p.m. At that point in time you'll probably have no stomach for an additional feeding and can literally thumb your nose at the midnight larder.**

Few vacations will afford you the opportunity to select from as many varieties of fish as a cruise. Every port of call brings aboard a fresh supply. Order it often. It's low in calories and bursting with iron and proteins and, with the usual skill of shipboard chefs, it is likely to be well prepared.

Eat hard cheeses instead of the more caloric softer ones. Order consomme and vegetable soup instead of the cream varieties; salads with oil and vinegar or low caloric dressings instead of Roquefort, French or Russian and sherbet, fruit and jello instead of souffles and chocolate mousse.

Drink white wine instead of red (an ice cube in the glass will make it go farther) and when the early evening tippling session is upon you, try vodka and gin drinks which are lower in the calorie count than most others.

A number of ships sail with special weightwatchers or other diet-conscious groups aboard. The dieters sit at special tables in the dining room and their menu is controlled. You might ask your travel agent for additional information in this regard.

Most steamship lines can readily cater to special diets such as salt and sugar free, low cholesterol and diabetic, provided that the passenger gives ample notice so that appropriate preparations can be made.

Whereas it is difficult for cruise ships to adhere impeccably to the demands of kashruth, some do offer kosher dining. Although the packaged meals are not necessarily low in calories, kosher caterers provide the ships with raw meat and poultry for broiling such as veal, lamb, steaks and chicken. These are low in sodium and fat content.

If you have the type of metabolism in which calories disappear with exercise, the shipboard regimen is made to order. Most cruise ships have swimming pools, an exercise room with pulleys, bicycles and rowing machines and many is the cruise passenger who has taken to the promenade deck and walked or jogged off the lobster thermidor, beef strogonoff or carmel cream custard.

If all else fails and the seductions of the cruise table appear too overpowering, you can always do what a number of passengers have conditioned themselves to do. They throw all caution to the winds and sample everything on the menu no matter how rich or how caloric.

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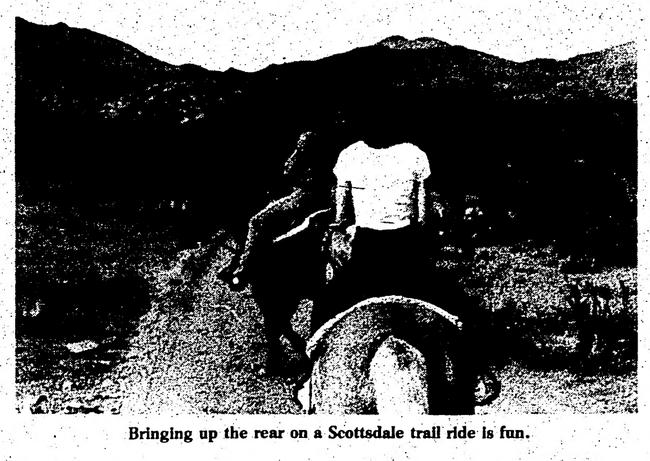

Bringing up the rear on a Scottsdale trail ride is fun.

# Arizona has something for every vacationer

By AL LEVINE

SCOTTSDALE, Arizona— Marveling at the unbelievable beauty of the Rockies, picking grapefruit in the streets, and riding horseback in resorts near Phoenix and Scottsdale, Arizona, are just a few of the activities tourists can enjoy when they visit "the Valley of the Sun."

I recently returned from a familiarization tour of this area, sponsored by Ron Fein of Glo Tours in Toronto. This kind of trip is designed to provide travel agents with a first hand look at the facilities. Then the agents can recommend the right area and accommodations to make their clients' vacation memorable.

The sun shines for 288 days of the year and the average temperature is a balmy 72 degrees F. Although the temperature may rise to over 100 degrees in the summer the humidity stays low.

**Tennis and golf play an important part in the valley sports scene. With over 1,000 tennis courts and 68 golf courses, everyone has the opportunity to participate. If horseback riding is your thing, there are trail rides, overnight pack trips and back country rides to pan for gold.**

Spectator sports include horse and dog racing, championship auto racing and the Phoenix Suns basketball team.

For people who prefer to shop, Phoenix and the valley offer a wide variery of shopping facilities to accommodate each and every taste. In addition to large air-conditioned malls featuring major department stores, there is a variety of smaller shops and shopping areas, conveniently located.

In the "Fifth Avenue" shopping area in Scottsdale, art galleries carry an assortment of art works from the old masters to the most famous of contemporary artists. Specialty shops offer everything from imported bells to exotic perfumes, fine fabrics, stoneware, furniture, exquisite gift items, gemstones and minerals, clothing and jewelry of all types, especially silver and turquoise in traditional Indian design.

Sightseers willing to travel a short distance from Scottsdale and Phoenix will see the Grand Canyon, one of the great natural wonders of the world. The south rim is open all year and features great nature walks, mule rides down the canyon and rim drives. The north rim is open from mid-May until October. Driving time is about five hours, but there are daily flights from Phoenix.

Art lovers should also visit Sedona, a community that offers paintings, sculpture and art objects. Boutiques are located throughout the area containing unique mementos and handmade arts and crafts.

Tlaquepaque, a nearby shopping village, has glassware and handmade arts and crafts.

The famous Apache trail winds through gorgeous desert-mountain scenery to the city of Globe. The spectacular parts of this trip are the dams and lakes on the Salt River.

**Popular spots such as Las Vegas, Disneyland and Mexico are all within driving distance of the valley and a free visitors' guide is available, which contains up-to-date tourist information about the many sightseeing tours.**

Meanwhile, back in Phoenix and Scottsdale, the desert air tends to stretch the appetite and the restaurants offer almost any kind of food, including Mexican, Italian, Polynesian, Chinese, Japanese . . . and bagels. French restaurants with world-class style and service have sprouted on the sunswept landscape.

The cosmopolitan and western decor in the hundreds of restaurants that dot this desert oasis makes it the hospitality and cuisine centre of the southwest.

The luxurious resorts are fine bets for dining out and all have evening entertainment. There are many nationally acclaimed resorts that feature excellent food, outstanding atmosphere and entertainment at a good price value.

Most visitors will want to sample the distinctive western-style dining offered by a host of restaurants with Old West motifs. Most of these places specialize in barbecue ribs, steaks, cowboy beans and baking biscuits. A heavy helping of buildings with porches, rail hitching posts, corrals, western music and atmosphere goes along with generous food servings.

**The service is good and brisk but informality prevails. If a male diner wears a tie in one western restaurant called Pinnacle Peak, it may be snipped off by the waiter and hung up with thousands of similar trophies.**

Back in town, there are high-rise restaurants where diners can get a view of the changing city and desert landscape.

Gourmet cuisine and service is available throughout the valley at a price tag 20% to 30% below large mid-western and eastern cities.

Prices vary for hotels from $21 per night to $150 per night, or you can rent a nice condominium at Winfield Place for $1,150 per month.

The familiarization tour group stayed at the new Alamos Resort Hotel in Scottsdale. The suites were designer-decorated, with living room, wet bar, private patio. The pool is just outside the door. Peace, quiet and the awesome Rockies made it a totally enjoyable stay.

Arizona has it all . . . a rich heritage of Indian and Mexican architecture and tradition, a western flavor all its own, and a thriving modern metropolitan city offering cultural entertainment and excitement. The living is casual and friendly, and you will feel right at home in jeans and a western shirt. But bring your best evening wear for the many elegant restaurants and cultural events offered here.

Travel agents who took the trip included Marlene Deres, Ettie Perell, Renata Eisen, Bev Steinberg, Deb Tziatis, Shirley Fox, Carol Sutton, Isabella Pippo, Ilana Stone, Keith Silverberg, Bill Tolson, Harry Perell, Shelly Holman, Sylvia Eckler, Anne Fairlie, Doreen Sone, Myrna Collins, Dorothy Hofstetter, Ron Fein, Elyn Organ, Judy Hersh, and Henry Wiseberg.

# Taormina - a place to explore

By LEWIS LEVENDEL

TAORMINA, Italy — Few places can match the position and natural beauty of the Sicilian resort town of Taormina, perched on a lofty terrace overhanging the beautiful Mediterranean coastline, with volcanic Mount Etna as a spectacular backdrop.

Some persons may be wary of coming to Taormina because of its renown as a famous vacation spot. But don't be frightened that this town is too touristy. It does attract thousands, but has not allowed commerce to blot out the beauty.

Taormina, above all, is a walking place full of narrow, winding streets with old buildings and shops, many of them offering high-quality merchandise, including souvenirs.

Climatically, it's mild, even in mid-winter, with temperatures from 12 to 16 degrees during the day. However, in mid-summer, it may be too hot and humid for most visitors to move around much during the day. According to Italian tourist literature, the sun shines an average of six hours a day on this ancient island.

Testimony to Taormina's former grandeur as a city is the Greco-Roman theatre offering a wonderful view of the surroundings. Still in use and described by the German playwright Goethe as one of the most beautiful in the world, the theatre was built against the backdrop of Etna in the 3rd Century B.C.E. Earliest evidence of Greek settlement on Sicily are the ruins of Naxos, about 15 minutes away by bus.

Other ruins and monuments worth a look at here are the remains of a Roman bath, a small Roman theatre and the former Sicilian parliament building and town cathedral, in existence since 1300. Don't miss the beautifully landscaped English-Italian public gardens.

**For the fit, the most popular walk is an uphill one for about 45 minutes from the town centre to the top of Mount Venere. At the summit, one finds the ruins of Taormina Castle, with a head-on, splendid view of Mount Etna.**

An even better vantage point is from Mount Tauro, a 12-minute bus trip from Taormina up to Castlemole, a medieval place perched precariously on the mountain among the clouds. In fact, the day we visited here, we had to peer down through the clouds to view the countryside.

But, for most tourists visiting this island for the first time, the 10,000-foot high Etna, Europe's largest active volcano, is the main event. Meaning "burning mountain," Etna is about 125 miles in circumference. On the drive up to the peak, one can see amid black lava the innumerable secondary craters formed from previous eruptions. The top of the volcano appears as a giant cone.

From Etna on a clear day, there's a range of visibility of 150 miles, including the Italian mainland. The mountain, on a winter's day, is a magnificent sight with snow on the top and dense vegetation below. Frequent organized bus tours depart from Taormina for an all-day excursion, unless of course the volcano is active.

There is also a cable car rising 1,920 feet in little over a minute, bringing visitors to the base of the centre cone. Another scenic route up the mountain is via the 80-mile railway, running through some of Etna's picturesque towns.

**After a day at a volcano, many visitors choose to spend some time on the beach. Nestled between rocks and ravines, rising from a perenially blue sea, lie the sandy beaches of Taormina. Buses and cable railway take you down from the town. The beaches are all public. Most of the luxury hotels here have swimming pools. There are also world-famous spas nearby Taormina.**

Every sort of accommodation can be found in a resort town with the international reputation this coastal retreat has. But book ahead unless you are coming in winter.

A few minutes away by bus is the resort town of Naxos-Giardini, directly on the seashore, with several coffee shops offering a tasty array of baked goods, expresso and cappucino, along with Italian apertif wines. Try the almond specialties or cream pastries for well under $1. And the cappucino is the best this traveller has tasted, with prices half of what you would pay back home.

Some of the Sicilian specialty dishes my wife and I enjoyed are: pescespada — swordfish stuffed with brandy, mozzarella and herbs grilled on charcoal; pizza Siciliana, a pizza with olives and capers; triglie alla Sicilian, grilled red mullet with orange peel and white wine; cassata, ice cream of various flavors with candied fruits and cannoli, fried pastries stuffed with ricotta, candied fruits and bitter chocolate.

While visiting Taormina and Etna, take some excursions to see some of the other famous sites, if time allows it. Sicily is extraordinarily full of cultural riches. Successful waves of invasions by Greeks, Carthaginians, Romans, Byzantines, Normans and Spaniards have left their marks on the island.

**Although Jews lived on Sicily as early as the period of the Second Temple, no evidence remains for the tourist. In the Middle Ages, Jewish learning flourished on the island. Joseph Saragossi, Kabbalist and Talmudist, who founded the neo-mystic school of Safed, was born in Syracuse.**

However, in 1492, Sicily's 40,000 Jews were expelled. Never again was there a substantial population here.

Transportation around the island is excellent, with modern buses and trains running on time, at least for my two weeks here. Be warned that banks are open from 8.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and change is in short supply.

Leather goods, lace and pottery seemed the most popular buys for visitors.

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**Even in a small country like Israel, adventurous tourists can find themselves lost when they leave the beaten track. But help is always very close.**

# Israelis greeted warmly in Egypt; told peace is good for both lands

By CARL ALPERT

When the Old City of Jerusalem was opened up to Israelis after the Six Day War, Israeli visitors descended upon it almost like locusts. For weeks and months the streets and alleys of East Jerusalem were literally packed with Jewish visitors from the other side.

When the peace treaty with Egypt was signed, and the border between the two countries was opened to mutual tourism, there was expectation of a similar mass movement of visitors. It was not realized.

The Israeli traveler was hesitant, doubtful, reluctant. He was not sure what kind of reception he would get in Cairo. Security considerations were a factor. The first few hundreds who obtained Egyptian visas returned with tales of long bureaucratic delays at the border crossing point. The reports did not encourage any but the most adventuresome.

Gradually the tourist traffic picked up, and not too many weeks ago, this Israeli and his wife crossed the border at Neot Sinai and spent close to a week visiting the major antiquities at Giza, Memphis, Sakkarah, Luxor and Karnak. We saw the pyramids and the sphinx, the obelisk of Rameses II and the tomb of King Tut, the Temple of Medinet Habou and the Terrace Temple of Queen Hatshepsut at Thebes, the Cairo Museum and the Nile Hilton Hotel and many other of the familiar sights on the tourist itinerary. They will linger long in our memory, but the greatest impression was left on us by our contacts with the people themselves.

We made no attempt to hide the fact that we were Israelis. To the contrary, most in our group wore kipot, the religious skullcaps, and though Cairo is a city of many strange and exotic headgear — turbans, kheffiyahs, fezzes, tarbushes, knitted caps — people turned to look at our kipot. They served like badges, identifying us as Jews from Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa.

Strangers stopped us in the street, smiled, extended a hand of friendship, and uttered the Hebrew word "shalom," not the Arab "salaam." Some who spoke English referred to the peace between the two countries, and how good it was. These were not scattered encounters. They happened every day, all day, wherever we ran into crowds on the streets of Cairo. The formula was almost always the same.

**We had been told about the warmth of the Egyptian people, but this was a reaction we had not expected. Only one in our party of 30 reported a single negative response. An Egyptian asked where he was from, and when he said "Israel," the other responded, "I'm Palestinian." Our man continued, "It is good to have peace," whereupon the other said abruptly: "No peace," and turned his back. We had expected many confrontations like that but this was the sole exception.**

We are under no illusions. Among the university students, and in other circles there are undoubtedly hard cores of antagonism to Israel. We simply did not come into contact with them.

Out in the coutryside, it made no difference to the fellaheen whether we were from Israel or from Berlin. They couldn't care less.

And the swarms of hawkers peddling their outrageously priced artifacts quickly learned that in our case "shalom" was the first step to good commercial relations. Incidentally, it was at Luxor that we developed the Alpert Law of Bargaining: If after much negotiation and drastic reduction from the asking price, the peddler finally agrees to sell you the item for the price you are willing to pay — you have been cheated!

On the Sabbath the Shaare Hashamayim Synagogue was jammed — not with local worshippers but with curious Israelis, many of whom never set foot in a synagogue at home. On the wall still hung the banner proclaiming welcome to President Navon on the occasion of his visit there.

We did indeed have bureaucratic delays at the border entry point, but made quicker time when we returned home by air.

The closeness of Egypt can best be understood when we report that on the final afternoon we visited the tomb of King Tut, down south in Upper Egypt — and that evening we slept in our own beds in Haifa.

The word has spread, and Israelis by the thousands are now re-enacting the biblical story of the patriarch's descent into Egypt, and the subsequent exodus, this time burdened with suitcases filled with alabaster vases, cotton galabiyahs and papyrus paintings.

## In the heart of Ireland

# *Historic castle open to the public*

By LEWIS LEVENDEL

**For nearly 600 years, Kilkenny Castle in the heart of Ireland, the Emerald Isle, served as home to one noble family. Today, its doors are open to the public who come to enjoy its splendidly furnished rooms and lovely gardens.**

In 1935, Arthur Butler sold the contents of the magnificent castle his aristocratic ancestors had resided in almost continuously since 1391. Restored by the government, this structure, rich in history, was officially opened to the public in 1976.

Initially, it was a few citizens of this town, about two hours drive southwest of Dublin, who came up with the idea of restoring the castle with the object of preserving the building for cultural activities. Eventually, the state got involved.

According to records, the castle's history dates back to the 10th century when it was built by Earl Marshall when Kilkenny became a town. The Butler family has been in Ireland since 1185 when Theobald Walter, the first member of the clan to reach these shores, was created Chief Butler of Ireland, a hereditary post still held by descendants.

The Chief Butler had the privilege of offering the first cup of wine to the King of England at the coronation banquet and the more lucrative right of entitlement to about one-tenth of the cargo of any wine ship unloading in Ireland. Both these privileges were surrendered in the 19th century.

The most eminent member of the Butler family, James, 12th Earl and first Duke of Ormonde (1610-1688), was created both an English and an Irish duke. He held peerages in England, Ireland and Scotland, and was a privy councillor in all three countries. Above else, he was Lord Lieutenant of Ireland under King Charles II. He had been a staunch upholder of King Charles I and had gone into exile during the Cromwellian period, returning with Charles II in 1660.

The castle suffered considerable damage during Cromwell's bombardment in 1650. James' son, the 2nd Duke of Ormonde, was exiled in 1715 as a Jacobite.

**However, the family was soon back in residence. British royalty in the persons of King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra, and the Duke and Duchess of York (later King George V and Queen Mary) were entertained in the castle earlier this century.**

The appearance of the castle today is the result of restoration begun by the family in 1820 and still going on under the aegis of the government.

Before entering the structure to begin your tour, spend some time strolling the grounds which include 15 acres of parkland.

The most striking feature of the classical entrances gateway to the castle is the 1708 oak gates surmounted by the Ormonde coat of arms painted in heraldic colors.

Inside, the beautifully restored main hall with its massive, grey Italian marble table from 1550 immediately catches your attention.

But for this writer, the highlight was the architecture of, and the treasures found in the Great Hall or Picture Gallery. Main features of this room, 150 feet long by 27 feet wide by 30 feet high, are hammer-beamed roof, painted members of the roof trusses, double fireplaces of Carrara marble with carvings, oak parquetry floors, rich tapestries, family paintings and lancet windows overlooking the park below.

In the basement, the visitor will find a former series of staff rooms used for exhibitions, often by the area's artistic community.

After viewing the other restored rooms, enjoy the walled garden with its terrace, pool and fountains. According to a guide, some of the roses can be traced back to the 16th century.

While visiting this town of 10,000, don't miss the Kilkenny design workshops, across the street from the castle. Irish designers and craftsmen offer high quality merchandise in ceramics, woven and printed textiles, woodwork, silver and metalwork.

The other main attractions for tourists here are the many medieval churches and the Tudor Merchant's Home on Parliament St. Restored by the Kilkenny Archeological Society, it contains a cramped, but fascinating regional museum. One can see that Jewish merchants have been part of the town's commerce for centuries.

**My wife and I, having purchased an Irish rail pass in Canada, stayed in Kilkenny three nights in a guesthouse. However, the second day, we went to Dublin, a city of 3,500 Jews, four synagogues and a rich communal history since the 17th century.**

There's little night life here except a movie house and lots of pubs. We found a friendly place with a fireplace and even hotter Gaelic coffees. For about $1.50, nothing warms your bones faster than this seductive mixture of Irish whiskey, pure cream, brewed coffee and brown sugar.

Whether you are touring Ireland by bus, train or car, this town is worth a day's visit, with half of it devoted to the castle. Accommodation is limited, so book in advance.

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# *Veltman earns master of checkers title; Seneca offers course for baseball fans*

## sports scene

By MURRAY MALKIN

**Three of the world's top tennis players got together recently in Montreal to help the Canadian Maccabiah Games Association promote the 1981 Games taking place this July in Israel. Ilie Nastase [left], Harold Solomon and Eliot Teltscher ham it up for the photographer. Nastase, who recently donated $10,000 for amateur tennis in Israel, is just one of eight tennis stars taking part in the Molson Tennis Challenge at the Maple Leaf Gardens from Feb. 4 to 8.**

TORONTO —

**Anatoly Veltman, a 19-year-old Jew from the Soviet Union who is now living in Toronto, recently earned the title of International Master of Checkers at a month-long match in Mali.** Twenty-two of the world's top players were at the event.

Veltman told The CJN there are only 10 grand masters and 20 international masters in the world. Most of them live in the USSR and Holland.

The type of checkers played in international competition isn't the game most of us grew up with. Instead of the 64 squares and 12 men there are 100 squares and 20 men.

While many of us in Canada may not recognize checkers as a sport, in the Soviet Union it is, and at the tender age of 12 Veltman had already achieved the title of master of sports.

**He said: "Sometimes a checkers game is often as physically exhausting as a hockey match. There is a great deal of psychology involved in each match and one must be in good shape to play the game. I train for five or six hours a day . . . studying other matches and reading books and magazines about checkers."**

Veltman is a fulltime devotee of checkers and he is looking for a sponsor. He said if anybody is interested in checkers lessons or in joining the Ontario Checkers Federation they should contact him at 633-3162.

Veltman said he is hopeful the game will gain some popularity in Canada. He pointed out that it has become very popular in Israel since the influx of Russian immigrants in the 1970s.

It appears the game is fairly popular in most countries except Canada and the United States because last year Velman traveled more than 50,000 miles to participate in international matches. He said the 1982 world championships are scheduled to be held in Toronto.

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**Baseball season is still a couple of months away**, but fans can begin whetting their appetites for the 1981 season when Seneca College kicks off its third season of "Baseball Spring Training for Fans."

Some of the topics slated for discussion include umpires, baseball writing — fiction and non-fiction, and why Canada is the rightful home of baseball.

Also planned are films and guest speakers. For more information contact **Bill Humber** at 491-5050 ext. 456. The course begins Jan. 31 and runs for six Saturdays until March 7. The time: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The place: the Seneca College campus at 1750 Finch Ave. E.

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**And if you still want more information on baseball**, and any baseball fan worth his or her salt always wants more information, then pick up the latest issue of Bullpen, the Canadian Baseball Review.

Editor-in-chief **Allan Golombek** and his associate editor **Cy Kanowitch** have put together an excellent issue to fill the void of baseball stories in this part of the world.

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**Still on baseball. George Auerbach** passes on word that there are still places available for teenagers on his Baseball Caravan. It's a 22-day affair that runs from Aug. 7 to 28 and includes attending at least seven professional baseball games and a visit to the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown. For more information contact Auerbach at 498-8717.

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**Irving Ungerman, the fund raising chairman for the Ontario division of the Canadian Maccabiah Games Association**, passes on word that more than $55,000 has been raised to help send the athletes to the 81 Games this July. He is hoping that all monies will be turned in by Feb. 20.

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**A couple of weeks ago Sports Scene ran an article on Joseph Berkovits**, a visually impaired skater, who is a member of the Twilight Skating Club. The club is sponsored by the North York parks and recreation department.

**Chris Gould**, who does publicity for the department, points out that any blind or partially sighted person who would like to participate in the program should contact the department at 224-6267.

**Morton Seelenfreund, who is a member of the ophthalmology department at the Shaare Zedek Hospital, in Jerusalem**, recently advised tennis players to "never go out on the court before receiving some basic instruction on the correct way to hold a racquet so it shields your face from the oncoming ball. Then make certain you put on protective goggles."

Seelenfreund, who has devoted a lot of hours to studying eye injuries to tennis players, has found a player who is close to the net or who runs to meet the ball is in greater danger than one who stands in the centre or back of the court because the ball's velocity decreases as it travels.

He advised all tennis and racquet sport players to wear goggles, and pointed out that good players have just as much a chance to get injured as beginners.

## Sports Hall of Fame has 2 Canadian reps

TORONTO —

Alex Fisher, of Toronto, and Fred Oberlander, of Montreal, have both been selected to represent Canada on the nomination committee for the Jewish Sports Hall of Fame, at the Wingate Institute in Israel.

Alex Fisher

Both have long been active in amateur sports in Canada. Fisher and Oberlander have each devoted thousands of hours of service to the Canadian Maccabiah Games Association with which they have been associated for 30 years.

Fisher, who helped set up the Israel Tennis Centres Association, is honorary president of the Canadian Maccabiah Games Association.

The first group of candidates for the hall of fame will be inducted this July, prior to the Maccabiah Games.


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**Bathurst-Haddington,** 3 bedroom bungalow, walking distance to Synagogue. Associated Hebrew School and shopping. Phone 630-7258. 29

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Executive spacious 3 bdrm. 4 bath bungalow for rent. Self-contained maid's quarters.

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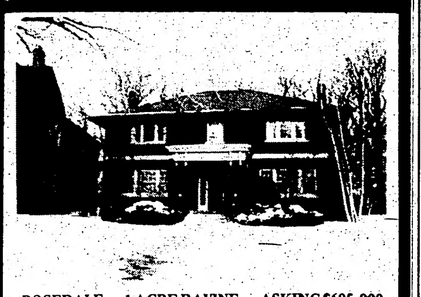

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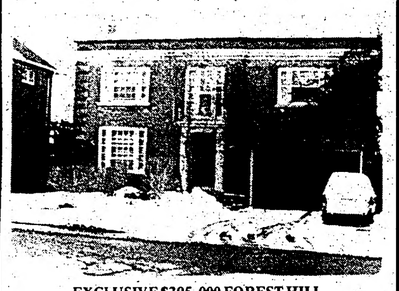

**EXCLUSIVE $395,000 FOREST HILL**
4 bedroom fabulous decor, cosy den, ultra kitchen, large principal rooms. Fabulous pool. 2 car garage. David-Eleanor Wagman.

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**FOREST HILL EXECUTIVE CONTEMPORARY**
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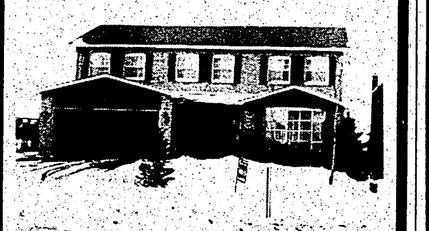

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**Avenue Rd.-Eglinton**
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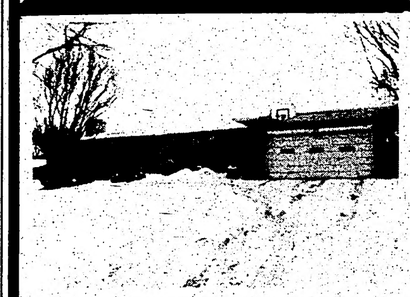

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**BATHURST-YORK DOWNS — $219,000**
Giant lot — 4 bedroom exec. in most desirable area — 4 baths, 9% mtge., UTB 2nd. Call Allen Rosen or Goldie Feldman.

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Super exec. 2 bedroom with 4 walkouts, palatially decorated to the most exciting standards! Call Allen or Marilyn Rosen. 441-2888.

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**MAGNIFICENT LOT, ¾ ACRE ALL TABLELAND**
A rare find in Metro Toronto. Gorgeous ravine property suitable for extra-large home. Toby Saltzman. 441-2888.

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**NEW EXCLUSIVE, QUAIL VALLEY**
Prestige townhouse, 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, finished basement, 2 fireplaces. Toby Saltzman. 441-2888.

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**LESLIE YORK MILLS DENLOW ESTATES $234,900**
Quality home on quiet crescent, 4 bedrooms, hardwood floors throughout, large family room on main floor, oversized kitchen. Call Simone Stern or Marion Alberga. 441-2888.

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**CHIEFTAIN CRESCENT-FIFESHIRE, $369,500**
This residence of 4 bedrooms has panelled formal dining room with French doors leading to living room. Magnificent family room with built-ins, fireplace, ultra modern designer kitchen — both with convenient walkouts to garden terraces and pool. 3 car garage. Call Elise Kales. 441-2888.

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**BATHURST MANOR EXECUTIVE, $236,000**
4 bedroom home — exquisite custom finished gourmet kitchen, family room plus fireplace, finished lower level, rec. room and games room. $45,000 first mortgage, 10¼%. Cal Bea Estrin or Heddy Blaug. 441-2888.

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Magnificent Tudor, dark-stained floors, main floor family room with fireplace, 4-5 bedrooms, 4 baths, finished lower level with sauna, fabulous inground pool. Eleanor Stanton, 483-4337 or 445-0923.

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Gorgeous 4-5 bedroom home on cul-de-sac. Family room, fireplace, breathtaking garden with inground pool, sauna, central air, beautifully decorated. Vendor transferred! This one is really special. Donald Wagman, 483-4337 or 493-1960.

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**4 BDRM. 3 BATHS, DEN**
Solid brick 2 storey semi, detached by garage only. 4 good size bdrms., new European style kitchen, good size living-dining, den walkouts, garage, double dr., finished bsmt., private entrance, don't miss. D. Seidman 635-1170.

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**ON TREED 190' DEEP LOT**
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On quiet cul-de-sac. Main floor family room, finished basement 4 washrooms, fireplace, central air, double garage. Huge lot. Asking $149,900. J. Potok 633-7777.

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**•BATHURST MANOR TRIPLEX**
2-3 bedroom, 1-2 bedroom. Parking 4 cars; fridges and stoves. Reasonable down payment. Vendor will hold first mortgage. Goldie Kay 633-7777.

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**BRIDLE PATH AREA, WALK-OUT BUNGALOW**
$449,000. Luxury 5,600 sq. ft. bungalow, family room to hedged patios & pools. 3 bedrooms & 2 bedroom wing. Panelled den & billiard room, 28' reception hall. Don LePage, 449-2020, 889-1221.

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$349,000. Totally renovated townhome. 2 fireplaces, skylights, main floor powder room, French balcony, ceramics, central air. Quiet cul de sac. Beside park. Jon Cheevers, 449-2020.

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**SPECTACULAR NEW HOME — SOUTH LOT**
$315,000. Gorgeous sun-filled kitchen. Quiet court nr. York Mills & Etienne Brule! Main floor laundry, family room, circular stairs, 4 large bedrooms. Immediate poss. Sally Hutson.

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**NEW HOME, YORK MILLS-LESLIE**
$310,000. Handsome 2 storey, well appointed home, 4 bed. main floor family rm., circular stairs, central air. Close to French school. Immediate possession. Margaret Moffat.

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$274,500. Enjoy a lovely country setting in the city, 3-4 bed, coach home with large dining rm. + eat-in kitchen. Lower level walkout to patio. Ilonka McCaffrey.

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**LAWRENCE-YONGE, NEW EXCITING**
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**LESLIE-STEELES BUNGALOW — $129,900**
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$108,900.00. 4/5 bedroom backsplit semi. 5 finished levels, family + rec room. Hollywood kitchen, garage, central air. June possession. Maxine Povering 225-2600.

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**Bayview - Willowbrook**
First ad! $149,900.00. Stunning 4 bedroom, 2 storey detached. 3 baths, main floor family room. 10¼% first mortgage. $$$ in upgrading. Won't last. Maxine Roness 225-2600.

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Luxury custom built 2 storey residence suitable for grand scale entertainment, large principle rms., drawing rm. 9 ft. ceiling, 5 bdrms., 8 baths, 5 fireplaces, master bdrm. with his & hers baths, Jacuzzi whirlpool, heated pool, self-contained maid's quarters. Many more extras. $638,000.

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**McGILL STREET**
Totally renovated Victorian 3 storey townhouse, open concept, 5 bdrms., 3 baths, fireplace, skylight. Good mtge. $225,000.

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**MISTY CRESCENT**
Great elegance in this spectacular living rm., large foyer, circular staircase, lots of walnut panelling, 5 bdrms., 6 baths, indoor pool, 3 garages. $735,000.
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**NEW EXCLUSIVE $219,900**
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**New Home, 1 Left**
Custom built 4 king size bedrooms, main floor oak panelled library and family rm. circular oak staircase, partially finished basement, 3 fireplaces, skylights. ALAN NEWTON 222-2003.

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**Leslie & Finch, $164,400**
Gorgeous 4 bedroom backsplit, featuring main floor family room, fireplaces, finished basement. Hollywood kitchen. Loaded with extras, won't last. IRENE BUSHUEV 222-2003.

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**Gypsy Road, Bayview Place**
Buy now at Spring possession, super luxuries 3 bdrm townhouse, 3 baths, family kit. custom fin. rec. rm. + fireplace, 6 appliances central air today's prices. RUTH HANICK 222-2003.

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**Mintwood - Bayview & Steeles Reduced!!!**
$114,900. Gem. Young family here is your home, 5 level 4 bdrm. backsplit + family rm. and walkout, hollywood kitch. 2 level, fin. bsmt., loaded with extras, super location, Spring possession, owner bought. AHUVA BENEGBI 222-2003.

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**Bathurst & Drewry $129,000**
3 bdrm. bungalow fin. bsmt. + separate entrance, huge size lot close to shopping, synagogues & transportation. ROZ MARKOWSKI 222-2003.

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**Bathurst & Wilson $66,900**
Luxury 3 bdrm condo apt. on 5th fl., southern exposure, 2 full baths, 2 balcony, ultra modern kitch, ceramic tile, intercom system, security T.V. central air, and much more, summer possession, shows like model suite. S. TEICHBERG 222-2003.

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**Bathurst Manor, Great Bargain**
$89,900. Unbelievable value is offered in this 3 bedroom bungalow featuring main floor den, 2 full baths, in-law suite in basement, fireplace, garage. $52,000. mtge. at 12¾%. Hurry!! MARINA SHEYMAN 222-2003.

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Luxurious 2 bdrm apt. on 18th fl. approx. 1710 sq. ft. + family room and enclosed sun room. 10¾% mtge till 1986. (Galaxy Suite) See with S. ROMBERG 222-2003.

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**Kligman, Sam,** on Janb. 9, 1981, late of 56 Mount Royal.
**Kopland, Bernard,** on Jan. 21, 1981, late of 23 Briar Path, Brampton.
**Lisser, Tamara,** on Jan. 21, 1981, late of 72 Braeburn Dr.
**Mandell, Sonia,** on Jan. 12, 1981, late of 3636 Bathurst St. #706.
**Pasternack, Philip,** on Jan. 9, 1981, late of 3555 Bathurst St. #303.
**Rose, David,** on Jan. 9, 1981, late of 55 Ameer Ave. #214.
**Ruzohrsky, Eugen,** on Jan. 7, 1981, late of 125 Neptune Dr. #210.
**Szmulewicz, Louis,** on Jan. 15, 1981, late of 33 Lyons Gate Dr.
**Wisebrod, Sarah,** on Jan. 22, 1981, late of Baycrest Centre.
**Yania, Yaniv,** on Jan. 14, 1981, late of 320 Torresdale Ave.
**Zambory, Carl,** on Jan. 8, 1981, late of 3555 Bathurst St. #604.

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**Angel, Norman,** on Jan. 2/81, late of 434 Lytton Blvd.
**Antflick, Helen,** on Jan. 4/81, late of 305 Steeles Ave. W.
**Black, Pearl,** on Jan. 2/81, late of 15 Canyon Ave.
**Bochner, Gerry,** on Jan. 13/81, late of 1071 Eglinton Ave. W.
**Campbell, Hymie,** on Jan. 4/81, late of 6010 Bathurst St.
**Chastkofsky, Annie,** on Jan. 7/81, late of 76 nWillowbrook Rd.

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**Diamond, Gertrude,** on Dec. 31/80, late of Baycrest.
**Funt, David,** on Jan. 5/81, late of 6030 Bathurst St.
**Goodman, Murray,** on Jan. 11/81, late of 152 Faywood Blvd.
**Grosfield, Leah,** on Jan. 13/81, late of 55 Ameer Ave.
**Hayman, Hye,** on Jan. 9/81, late of 34 Denmark Cr.
**Lane, Esther,** on Jan. 13/81, late of 77 Roberta Dr.
**Margel, Berl,** on Jan. 10/81, late of 113 Invermay Ave.
**Marks, Rubin,** on Jan. 8/81, late of 37 Wigan Cr.
**Nelman, Lena,** on Jan. 3/81, late of Cheltenham Nursing Home.
**Rosen, Sally,** on Jan. 11/81, late of 35 Canyon Ave.
**Sandler, Ruth Lowe,** on Jan. 4/81, late of 95 Thorncliffe Blvd.
**Schiller, Louis,** on Jan. 10/81, late of 414 Bathurst St.
**Segall, Gordon,** on Jan. 9/81, late of 2400 Bathurst St.
**Shuman, Ida,** on Jan. 12/81, late of 501 Manning Ave.
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**Singer, Richard,** on Jan. 11/81, late of 330 Spadina Ave.
**Stekel, Louis,** on Jan. 3/81, late of 613 Castlefield Ave.
**Sufrin, Polly,** on Jan. 11/81, late of Cheltenham Nursing Home.
**Urowitz, Rose,** on Dec. 27/81, late of Lincoln Place Nursing Home.
**Weiss, Klara,** on Jan. 6/81, late of 1925 Steeles Ave. E.
**Wintrop, Joseph,** on Jan. 1/81, late of 21 Mayfair Ave.
**Zalkind, Fanny,** on Jan. 3/81, late of 74 Robina Ave.

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# High hopes for Reagan

By JANICE ARNOLD

Simcha Dinitz

MONTREAL — **The Reagan administration will be beneficial to Israel in terms of both its relations with the United States and the advancement of the peace process, says former Israeli embassador to the United States, Simcha Dinitz.**

"The new Reagan administration's realistic evaluation of the Communist danger and emphasis on the image of a strong America in the world will not only be favorable to U.S.-Israel relations but to advancing the possibility of peace," said Dinitz, while on a brief personal visit to Montreal at the invitation of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Bronfman is a Canadian governor of the university's board.

Whether or not the United States actually will be stronger under President Ronald Reagan is not the most important point, in Dinitz's view. The fact that the United States may be "perceived" as strong is what counts, he said. He predicted that additional Arab states, notably Saudi Arabia, may join in the Mideast peace negotiations if their current perception of the West as weak changes.

Dinitz said Reagan's view of an America regarded as strong by both its allies and enemies is a "healthy one.

"Anything that displays weakness of the West will be bad for the Israeli-Arab conflict."

**Any possible future intervention by former secretary of state Henry Kissinger in the Middle East "could be very helpful," Dinitz said. He added that, although Israel had not agreed with everything Kissinger had done in the Middle East during his term of office, his "strategy was basically sound and his concept of a strong Middle East was a good one."**

Dinitz, who was director of Prime Minister Golda Meir's office, said he will run for the Knesset as a Labor candidate in the upcoming Israeli election, which he presumes will be in June — a compromise between Begin's desire for July and the Opposition's for May.

Dinitz believes the main reason for the fall of the Likud coalition is the poor economic situation with its 130% inflation rate. "Although indexing (of salaries, pensions) is some compensation, the decreased value of the shekel is a major economic setback."

Another reason is that the peace treaty did not produce the "miracle of tranquility" Israelis had hoped for. There has been disappointment that other Arab states have not joined in the negotiations and that even those with Egypt have been slow, he added.

"In a sense, we have had one-sided normalization of relations with Egypt," Dinitz said. "We are sending people to Egypt — tourists, journalists — but the Egyptians are not sending people to Israel. We have offered a number of joint projects between universities, but so far have batted zero. The reason is political, not economic. The Egyptians want to go slowly and are probably subject to pressure from other Arab countries."

He said he hopes for a strong Labor majority government after the election, independent of "the veto power of some small splinter group." A Labor government may form partnerships with other parties but it is not "healthy" for the country to have a government whose continued power rests with a small bloc, he claimed.

A Labor government, he said, will not ignore the use of Jewish settlements as an "integral part of Israel's defence network." It will, however, concentrate on those settlements "essential to defence" rather than, as is the present government's policy, establish "an Israeli presence" in sensitive territories.

**Areas deemed essential to defence are the Jordan Valley, Golan Heights, the southern tip of Gaza, the environs of Jerusalem, including Gush Etzion, but not the heart of Palestinian settlement, such as the town of Nablus. He said settlements in these areas will be maintained and possibly fortified under a Labor government.**

On the Palestinian problem, Dinitz said he had no doubt the solution lay in a compromise with Jordan. A Labor government would be prepared to negotiate with King Hussein a territorial concession to Jordan that would still leave Israel with secure borders.

"No Israeli government will allow the establishment of an independent state, headed by Arafat, that will only augment the existing Palestinian state. There is no historical justification for another Palestinian state, nor will it solve the problem. Eighty percent of Palestine was taken to create Jordan."

Even Jerusalem would be open for negotiation, said Dinitz. He said he had no objection to discussions of an international agreement for the administration of Christian and Moslem holy sites in East Jerusalem.

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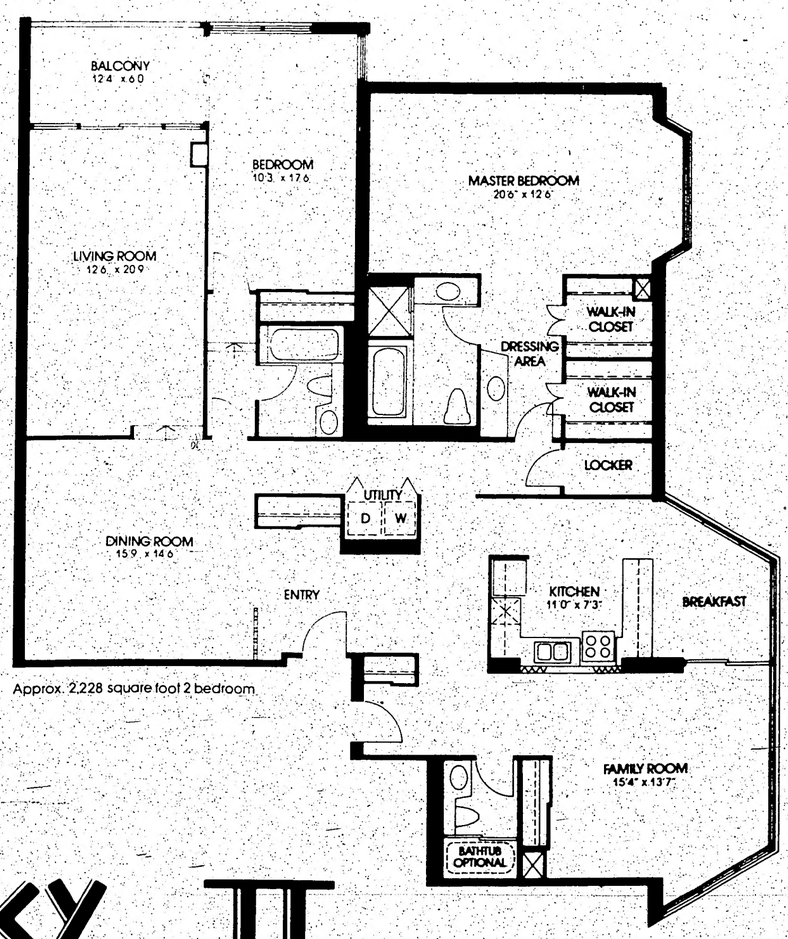


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